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Southern Baptist Leaders Oppose Church Of Christ Ban In Italy

NASHVILLE, Tenn.— (BP) — Three Southern Baptist leaders, who are concerned with the problem of church and state, have issued the following statements on the closing of twenty-two Churches of Christ in Italy.

Joseph M. Dawson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs: "The order of the Italian Government closing twenty-two Churches of Christ in Italy is a shocking example of Roman Catholic intolerance. The Catholic controlled government justifies this bigoted act on the grounds that the Italian law of June 24, 1929, number 1159, and by pertinent regulation of February 28, 1930, number 286, requires authorization of non-Catholic churches under cult classification.

"Actually that official statement ignores and omits all reference to the postwar Italian democratic Constitution which provides in Article 8 specifically: 'All religious confessions are equally free before the law.' Article 17 of the same document states: 'No previous notice is required for a meet-

ing even in places open to the public.'

"Reportedly the Roman Catholic Church induced the Government to make the shut-out ruling because the Churches of Christ had made 1,000 converts in Italy since the war. Article 19 of the present Italian Constitution reads: 'All persons have right freely to profess their own religious faith, in any individual or collective form, to proselytize on its behalf, and to perform in private and in public acts of worship, provided the rites are not contrary to public morals.'

Does not the Roman Church know that an article in the Universal Bill of Human Rights as put forth by the United Nations declares for the right of every individual to change his religion?

"Again, reports magnify the (Continued On Page Two)

W.M.U. Secretary To Visit South American Fields



MISS EDWINA ROBINSON

Miss Edwina Robinson, of Jackson, state W. M. U. secretary, will take off from New Orleans Oct. 15, for a two and one-half month visit to the South American mission fields.

She will travel with Miss Edith Stokely, of Birmingham, southwide Community Missions chairman.

The two will visit Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil and Venezuela.

They will take pictures of the mission work, observe the mission program first hand and fill a number of speaking engagements.

Several Mississippians, who are missionaries there, have arranged services for them. They include:

Miss Minnie Landrum and Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby, Brazil; Rev. William Lowrey Cooper, Argentina; Rev. John Parker and Mrs. Marvin Hicks, Chile.

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Wellborn Returns To Baptist Hour



REV. CHARLES WELLBORN

Charles Wellborn, dynamic young pastor of Seventh and James Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, returns to the Baptist Hour the Sunday, of October 5. His theme for the fall quarter will be "Blue Print for Christian Living."

Mr. Wellborn was heard on the Baptist Hour during the first six months of 1952, and he has been named by the Southern Baptist Radio Commission as speaker for nine months of 1953. He has been heard on this nation-wide broadcast more than any other one man.

A graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mr. Wellborn has had a wide and varied experience. He served in the Ski Troops during the war, and was twice decorated for heroism in action. He is a former professor of political science and of Bible at Baylor University, and has spoken in revival meetings and youth rallies all over America, and in several foreign countries.

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ORDERS POURING IN FOR STATE MISSION ENVELOPES

Special State Mission envelopes, to be used in connection with State Mission Day Sunday, Oct. 26, are available now in the Baptist Building and may be had for the asking.

Many requests have already come in and many others are expected with each mail.

Get your order in early, stating the quantity desired.

Address your order to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

Million Dollar Cooperative Program Objective Continues To Gain Ground

By CHESTER L. QUARLES
Executive Secretary

As reports come in of special efforts in many sections to raise \$1,000,000 this Convention year for the Cooperative Program a report from the treasurer's office reveals that Mississippi Baptists gave an encouraging total of \$102,715.83 during the month of September.

A like amount given during October would give us a grand total of \$1,021,112.74 for this Convention year and put us safely over the Million Dollar objective.

Reports indicate a special surge is in order during October, with the possibility that the Million Dollar mark could be surpassed.

Again we repeat—what a tremendous impact that achievement would have on all our work for the future!

A report has come in of a special effort on the part of the Associational Brotherhood in Newton county to rally the churches to special effort in this behalf. Rev. Troy Mohon of Newton is associational president.

Reports from the associations meeting at this time indicate special interest in this effort.

October is before us! It is our challenge! Even though 1040 churches have given something to the Cooperative Program this year there are 318 churches that have not.

May these churches rally to see their opportunity to have a part in this great cooperative effort.

This list of churches is growing smaller by the day. We trust that it may completely diminish by November 1.

The Fundamental Baptist Distinctive

By W. BARRY GARRETT
Editor, Arizona Baptist Beacon

The fundamental distinctive Baptist principle, that which makes them different from all other religious groups, is their doctrine of the competency of the soul. This principle has been stated in various ways. E. Y. Mullins said, "All men have an equal right to direct access to God." W. R. White has said, "The individual not only must act for himself; he is the only one who can. God has made him competent."

J. B. Lawrence declared, "The Baptist distinctive is the belief that every person who ever lived or ever would live has as much inherent right to deal personally with God as any other person who ever did or ever would live. Baptists believe that every individual is sovereign in his own soul and stands face to face with a sovereign God; that all matters between him and God are personal; that he must act for himself, repent for himself, and worship God in his own way without let or hindrance by any outside authority."

The Scriptural Basis

Baptists use such Scriptures as the following for their doctrine of the primacy and competency of the individual. Romans 14:12, "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." (No one else can do that for us. Each one is competent to give account for himself.) I Timothy 2:5, "For there is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus." (There is no need for another mediator if Jesus Christ is the only one.)

Matthew 23:8, "But be not ye called Rabbis; for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren." (No authority is to be above that of Christ. No one is to be an authority over another.

There are no superior persons in Christ. All are brethren—equals.)

Any and all of the scriptures that emphasize individual responsibility and accountability to God, that emphasize the importance of the individual, reinforce this fundamental Baptist distinctive. If every individual is required to give account of himself to God, then he is competent to render his account. God does not require people.

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Special Christian Education Offering Total Announced

A total of \$15,591.26 has been received in the State Convention Board office for the special Christian Education offering taken on June 1.

This figure is of Sept. 25, it has been announced by Owen Cooper, of Yazoo City, chairman of the Convention Committee on Christian Education.

This offering was taken as a feature of Christian Education Week May 29-June 1.

Additional amounts are expected to be turned in.

This offering goes to the four Mississippi Baptist Colleges and the Baptist Hospital School of Nursing.

Last Of A Series: "Tithes And Offerings" Is Basis Of Crystal Springs Stewardship Program

The "tithes and offerings" plan of financing the Kingdom is kept before the Crystal Springs Baptist Church and as a result the budget of the church has grown in five years from \$28,000 to \$65,000 for the coming year.

The pastor Rev. M. D. Morton, says the church believes in a "well balanced, proportionate emphasis and support of all phases of the causes dear to the heart of Christ."

As a further result the church has been enabled to care for all local needs, expand its building and also give 33 1-3 per cent of budget funds to world missions through the Cooperative Program.

The church in 1949 took a great step forward when it adopted the Unified Budget system, which supports all its organizations and its causes.

Numbered and dated envelopes are furnished all members of the church and Sunday School.

All receipts in excess of budgeted amounts are transferred to the building fund at the end of each month.

A committee of five elected by the church serve as the counting committee and count and deposit all funds.

The church treasurer makes a report monthly to the church.

A letter is sent quarterly to each family in the church reporting on the different phases of the work and a report of the contributions of each member of the family is included in the letter.

Although the church emphasized the Cooperative Program as the basis of its gifts to missions it does observe a minimum number of special offerings. One special offering for the Building Fund is taken each year.

Although Crystal Springs is a small community the church is comparatively large and in the words of the pastor, in "1952-53 we will try to reach more of our people in this stewardship program."

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Regular Baptist 'Token Protester' In Jail

BAL D'OR, Quebec — (RNS) — Maurice Boillat, a Regular Baptist ministerial student, is in jail here for his second term this summer. He is acting as the token protester of Regular Baptists against a local ordinance prohibiting street meetings.

Mr. Boillat, a student at the Central Baptist Seminary, Toronto, of the Regular Baptist church, was injured in an automobile accident.

Four days later, on Saturday, Aug. 2, Mr. Boillat went out on to a Val d'Or street to preach again. He was arrested and sentenced to 30 days in jail, preferring not to pay the fine set as an alternative penalty.



REV. M. D. MORTON

SOUTHERN BAPTIST

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statement that Baptists and Methodists have not suffered the same fate in Italy as have these little Churches of Christ. Are we thus to be propagandized into holding that only 'duly constituted' religious bodies of size, recognized by government, are to be allowed to function? Minorities have rights as well as majorities. The Roman Catholic Church in the United States of America is a minority, but it has been allowed full freedom here. Big churches had better protect the rights of little churches, or else totalitarian powers, political and ecclesiastical, will do away with religious liberty for anybody."

Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board: "It is stated in the news dispatches from Rome that the real issue with the churches that have been closed is the fact that they have been winning converts from Catholicism. This, of course, is a direct issue of religious liberty. If a Protestant church in Italy hasn't the right to win converts, then it has no right of religious liberty. It is only tolerated for private worship."

George W. Sadler, Foreign Mission Board secretary to Europe, Africa and the Near East: "Leaders of the Church of Christ in Italy may have been less tactful than those of the Baptists and Methodists. That, however, does not excuse Italian officials for ordering their places of worship closed. This action is doubtless a part of the picture of what Dr. Manfredi Ronchi, Baptist leader of Rome, calls 'bloodless persecution.'"

"As an illustration of what is meant by 'bloodless persecution,' Baptists recently acquired property in a community where they are making a beginning. Up to the time of my visit in July, they had been unable to have the privilege of city water."

Home Mission Board Raises Western Loan Funds To \$940,000

ATLANTA, Ga. —(BP)— The Home Mission Board is providing \$940,000 for the special western church building loan project instead of \$500,000 as originally planned. The new figure was announced following a meeting of the Home Mission Board during Home Mission Week at Ridgecrest in August.

According to Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary of the Board, the money is to be obtained: (1) \$440,000 from the regular church building loan fund. Heretofore this money has been used for revolving and material loans. This money will be available only as it is repaid by churches that now have it borrowed. (2) \$500,000 to be borrowed by the Home Board from banks in September as authorized earlier this year.

This \$940,000 may be borrowed, as it is available, by western churches in amounts not to exceed

\$15,000 each. The churches, of course, must meet loan requirements. Churches granted loans from this fund must be less than five years old and promise to repay within six years. Approximately 150 churches can be helped in the next six years.

Concerning the total western church building needs Dr. Redford says, "It is difficult to know the exact needs for church buildings in the West. According to 1951 reports there were 673 churches in the western states, 562 of these had church property leaving 111 that had no building of any kind. The best information that we can get indicates that at least 300 of these have need for better buildings or enlarged buildings. Thus there are at least 400 churches in the western states that either need new buildings or need to enlarge their present plants."

The Fundamental

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ple to do something they are unable to do.

Others Are Inconsistent

Others may say that they believe in the competency of the soul to deal with God for itself, but they violate that faith by insisting on baptism as a requirement for salvation, by baptizing an infant before it has the capacity to exercise its own choices, by saying that we must confess to a priest and that the priest must intercede before acceptance can be secured with God, by allowing the state to have an official religion and thus coerce people into a faith they do not voluntarily accept. Very few, if any, of the denominations follow through with the principle of the competency of the soul as the Baptists do.

Private Interpretation

Out of our fundamental principle emerges certain other fundamental truths which Baptists hold to be more dear than life itself. We believe that every individual has the right (as well as the responsibility) to read and interpret the Bible for himself. We do not need the dictates of popes, councils, creeds, conventions or churches to tell us what God wants us to know. The individual is free and competent.

Against this right of private interpretation is often quoted II Peter 1:20, which says, "No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation." But if you will make a careful study of that whole passage (verses 16-21) you will discover that Peter is saying that when the Old Testament prophets spoke they were not giving their own private interpretation of the things of God. They were giving God's interpretation to men. Thus was made more sure their word of prophecy, making it more binding upon us.

Priesthood of Believers

Because we believe in the competency of the soul to deal with God for itself, we also believe that we need no official church help in our approach to God. The Word of God says that Christians are "that matter, it is forcing its citi-

holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ." (I Peter 2:5) Jesus Christ is our high priest, and we need no other to mediate between us and God.

No Sacramental Salvation

Because we believe in the competency of the soul to deal with God for itself we do not believe in a sacramental salvation. There is no power in the baptismal waters to wash away sin, nor is there virtue in the elements used in the Lord's Supper to improve one's standing with God. The soul answers direct to God for itself, without the intervention of ordinances or sacraments. The soul's dealing with God is a personal matter and is decided on the basis of faith or the lack of faith.

End Of Infant Baptism

When the competency of the soul to deal with God for itself is accepted the practice of infant baptism is abolished. The individual needs neither sponsor nor proxy in religion. He deals with God for himself.

He does not need another to perform his religious acts in his stead or for him. Infant baptism is an effort to induce salvation upon another person who knows nothing about it or who has had nothing to do with the choice. No one can make religious choices and decisions for another.

Separation of Church, State

Religious liberty and the separation of the church and state are direct outgrowths of the principle of the competency of the soul to deal with God for itself. No man or institution has a right to interfere with a man's own dealings with God. There can be no coercion in religion. If force is used to determine a man's standing before God, then he cannot be responsible for himself. This violates our fundamental principle.

If the state seeks to establish a religion, it seeks to force a religion upon people without their free choice. If the state supports one religion above another, or if it supports any religion at all for

VICKSBURG FIRST CALLS DR. JOHN G. M'CALL



DR. JOHN G. M'CALL

The First Church of Vicksburg, has called Dr. John G. McCall of Mooresville, North Carolina. He has accepted and will move to Vicksburg, October 15.

Dr. McCall was born in Quitman, Georgia. He received his AB degree from the John B. Stetson University, Deland, Florida in 1928 after which he attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville Kentucky and received the degree of Master of Theology in 1943.

Dr. McCall served in the U. S. Army as Chaplain for three years, 18 months of which were in the European Theatre in General Patton's Army.

After World War II Dr. McCall returned to the Southern Seminary and received the degree of Doctor of Theology in 1949. He has been pastor of the First Baptist Church of Mooresville, N. C. for three and one-half years. He is 35 years of age.

Mrs. McCall is a graduate of the WMU School of Louisville, Kentucky. They have one son, John III who is 18 months old.

Dr. McCall succeeds Dr. D. Swan Haworth, who resigned the Vicksburg pastorate in October, 1951, to become pastor of the First Church, Lumberton, N. C.

zens to support a religion with which they may not be in accord. They would be forced to support a religion against their will. That violates the right and freedom of every man to worship God or not to worship God, as he chooses.

Message For The World

You can readily see the tremendous importance of this doctrine of the competency of the soul. We believe that Baptists have been raised up for such a day as this. The world stands in desperate need of an understanding of this vital principle. Properly understood and applied in all realms of life this doctrine will destroy Communism, will dethrone dictators, will preserve democracy, will ring the death knell to ecclesiasticism, will protect our liberties and will enhance the value of human life supremely.



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That Revised Version

One of the biggest news items of the week is the release of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, set for September 30. The event was observed by churches throughout the nation. The King James Version of the Scriptures, still the most popular, was completed in 1611. Since that time thousands of Greek manuscripts have been discovered which were unknown to the translators of the King James version. The new version brings to the people of this day the Bible in the language of today. Bible scholars and church leaders are hailing it as the greatest news in Bible making in 341 years.

Several Southern Baptist scholars have had a share in the revision. Among them are the late Dr. John R. Sampey, the late Dr. A. T. Roberson, and Dr. Kyle M. Yates. Serving on the advisory board of the committee were: Dr. T. L. Holcomb of the Sunday School Board; Dr. Hight C. Moore, former editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board; and Dr. Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board.

The changes in translation do not change the meaning of the Bible. They clarify them. Few errors in translation have been discovered, and corrected.

Concerning the new version Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board, makes the following statement: "Devout men have worked tirelessly for years to translate the Scriptures into the language of our times, and I trust that Southern Baptist leaders have helped to bring this Version to fruition. We believe its publication is a notable event in accord with God's desire that each generation shall have His Word in the living language of the times."

—BR—

Why Permit Gambling At The State Fair?

Bob Cook's column in the Pontotoc Progress has a statement concerning the recent Pontotoc Fair that is alarming. He said, "There was too much gambling—too many gambling devices." And that reminds us:

Next week the Mississippi State Fair will be held in Jackson. Thousands of people will be in attendance and unless it is different from other fairs gamblers will be there. So far as we know, open gambling is not permitted in the city of Jackson. We hope that our police will be equally alert concerning the fair week gambling.

Gambling is wrong at any time. Just because the fair is going on is no reason for officers to wink their eyes at such lawbreaking.

There are enough exhibits and

other amusements without having gambling. And gambling does not draw crowds, it only helps separate them from their money and brings nothing in return.

—BR—

Charity Begins At Home

Recently we received a letter from a Mississippi Baptist. It was written on the back of two other letters which indicated that he had made offerings to at least two out-of-state non-denominational programs. We do not question the worthiness of either program, but we do suggest that the Mississippi Baptists program is sufficient to cover most of the world. If it is a radio program, we have it. If it is a preaching program, we have it.

We suggest that Mississippi Baptists at least consider their own denomination before sending money to such objects.

—BR—

Consistency

We recall several references by a Wet editor to the fact that in some Wet-Dry elections only a small part of those eligible cast votes.

He seemed to insinuate that this cast a shadow on the election.

We note that only 1531 of the 4188 qualified voters went to the polls in Natchez on the sales tax question.

We shall watch for any comment from the above named source on this election. Or perhaps because liquor was not the issue it doesn't count.



Men Can Give Meaning To Layman's Day

Southern Baptists will observe Layman's Day on October 12. This special day on our denominational calendar offers the churches an added opportunity to recognize and honor their men. It should be a "big day" in every church. Elaborate plans should be made for it. In churches with Brotherhoods the pastors should work very closely with the leaders of these organizations in making the plans for the proper observance of the day. In churches that do not have Brotherhoods it is suggested that the pastor appoint or select a few of the key men in the church to assist him in formulating and promoting the special plans for the day.

Listed below are twelve suggestions that the Brotherhood officers or pastor-appointed groups of men can follow in an effort to assure the proper observance of Layman's Day in their church.

1. Meet with the pastor and prayerfully lay the promotional plans for the special day.
2. Make plans and promote special drives to reach all the men of the church for all the services of the church during the day.
3. With the cooperation of the Sunday School leadership plan to have men conduct the devotionals in all the departments of the Sunday School, also teach all the classes from the junior through the adult departments. The same thing in Training Union.
4. Plan an early morning prayer

service. Urge all the men of the church to come, especially those who will have a place to fill in the various services of the church during the day.

5. If time of broadcast does not conflict with the services of the church, plan a special meeting of the men of the church and church community to listen to the Baptist Hour. Such a meeting may be held in the church auditorium. Both saved and lost men should be urged to attend.

6. Work with the choir director that the men may furnish special music for the worship services of the day. Solos, duets, quartets, and even a large male chorus or choir may be in order.

7. Plan with the pastor to have men read the Scriptures and give brief personal testimonies at both the morning and evening worship hours.

8. Plan to give the day wide publicity. Use telephones, church bulletin and personal visitation that everyone in the church and church community may be made conscious of the purpose and significance of Layman's Day.

9. Prepare a special letter, signed by the pastor and Brotherhood president (or chairman of the special committee appointed by the pastor) send it to every man who is a member of the church. Letter should contain information relative to the special day and its significance to the life of the church. It should be closed with a strong appeal for the recipient to make an all-out effort to attend all the services in the church during the day.

10. If possible, plan for and sponsor a special radio broadcast during the day, either the morning or evening worship hour, an early morning devotional period, or a late evening "back home" hour.

11. Plan and work to the end that the pews of the church will be filled with men when the pastor preaches at both the morning and evening services. Pastor will bring messages that will have a manly emphasis and challenge.

12. Pray that God will bless each and every effort put forth during the day.

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Our Readers Write

PRIEST CHARGES HYPOCRISY

Walls, Miss.

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Dear Mr. Goodrich,
One of my Baptist underground workers keeps me well informed about some of the lies that you hypocritical ministers are forever instilling into the minds of your hearers. I say "hypocritical" because of the way you ministers get up in your pulpits preaching everything else but fraternal charity and the love of your enemies. Catholics are in the very small minority in Mississippi. This means that our state legislators are for the most part Protestants. Why then don't you say something in your pulpits about racial justice for the negro? Why all this talk against smoking, dancing, moderate drinking, card playing and the like? It's all nothing but Puritan sentimentality. You can't in conscience prove one of them wrong. Your ministers on the "Pastor's Study Program" from Atlanta have proven that beyond contradiction. "Etraining at a gnat and swallowing a camel" is exactly what you all are guilty of.

Now let's get to the main point, Mr. Goodrich. There's an old Latin saying that "If you had remained quiet, you would have been a wise man". You've also heard the same said in modern terms: "Everytime I open my mouth, I stick my foot into it". In your August 7 issue of the "Record", you mentioned about "Growing Uneasiness" among the Catholics in France. Why do you forever publish such propaganda week after week when you know that Catholics are in the very small minority in Mississippi. Since you have so many Baptist members in your churches down here in Mississippi why all the propaganda against the Catholic Church? I can answer that question for you, Mr. Goodrich. (I doubt whether there is any truth about what Mr. Lewis had to say about "uneasiness" in France. It wouldn't be the first time that such news reports were twisted around to your own advantage.) Now, the answer. "If you had remained quiet, you would have been a wise man". Why, would it have been better for you and Mr. Lewis to remain "quiet" about things in France? Simply because you Baptists are equally "uneasy" about the steady trend of Protestants (including Baptists) to the Catholic Church here in the United States. Your only motive in publishing lies about the Catholic Church is to poison the minds of your Baptist members for fear that they might be influenced by Catholic friends, Catholic television and radio programs and press. The TV and radio in U. S. is doing exactly what "Freedom" campaign literature and radio programs are doing for the people behind the Iron Curtain. You ministers feel the trend toward Rome and you want to stop it contrary to your own conscience. Mr. Goodrich, you can't buck the Holy Spirit no matter how diabolically you try. If you only knew how many thousands of Baptists are writing daily to various information bureaus seeking information privately (where Baptist ministers can't interfere) about the Catholic

Church. Give up, Mr. Goodrich, instead of helping your cause, you are hurting it. Your truth-seeking Baptist members have got more sense of justice and fair-play than you think. They read the Bible and know that Christ preached fraternal charity. Don't you think they have enough sense to know that lies and misrepresentations in your papers cannot be motivated by fraternal charity? Such methods, on the contrary, are helping the Catholic Cause, rather than defeating it. Get wise, Mr. Goodrich.

It's nice to try to get new members in your Baptist churches especially if they be Catholics. But you must do it the right way, Mr. Goodrich, i. e. by fraternal charity and good example. Did I say good example? Yes, I did, but what does good example mean to those Protestants who teach that good works (good example) is taboo? This explains why you can get up in your pulpits and in your press rant against Catholics. All you have to do it say, "I believe and everything is forgiven".

Sincerely yours in Christ,
FATHER F. X. SIMCOX, S. C. J.

Comment: The writer needs no underground workers to know what is in the Baptist Record. He can either borrow from one of our subscribers at Walls or subscribe as do some priests.

He accuses us of (1) lying; (2) hypocrisy; (3) lack of charity; (4) lack of love; (5) Puritan sentimentality; (6) uneasiness; (7) lack of conscience; (8) trying to buck the Holy Spirit; (9) and hurting the Baptist cause.

He frequently refers to fraternal charity. If there is one bit of fraternal charity shown in the scurrilous letter printed above we have not detected it.

At least Father Simcox is for one thing. He approves of moderate drinking.

The Mr. Lewis to whom Father Simcox refers and whose word he questions is associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, a gentleman beyond reproach and a devout Christian.

Referring to Baptists, the Rev. Father says, "If you had remained quiet, you would have been a wise man." This would also be excellent advice for Father Simcox.

Father Simcox is very right when he refers to the Catholic television and radio programs and press. Probably because of Catholic pressure undue emphasis is given Catholics on radio and television. And most of the secular press steers clear of anything unfavorable to the Catholics. For instance, how many secular papers carried stories of the Catholic atrocities in Columbia? The same is true of Spain and Italy.

—BR—

There were nine additions, nine by baptism, during revival which has just closed at the Van Winkle Mission. Rev. Clyde Williams, pastor of Beulah Church, Brownsville, was the evangelist and Oster Daniels of the Van Winkle Church led the singing. Rev. W. A. Hollingsworth is mission pastor.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

First Church, Columbia

Under the leadership of the new pastor, Rev. A. L. Gatewood, First Church, Columbia seems to be going places. Average Sunday school attendance for the year is up 125 and the Training Union up 75.

The church has installed the committee system which utilizes the talents of the people. It meets monthly and checks on past achievements and plans for future work. The church has also been divided into districts with a leader for each district and several workers under the leader. With this plan the pastor is able to reach every member of the church within a few hours concerning any matter. The leaders also keep watch over their district for newcomers and church prospects.

Marion County Record readers are most listed as follows: Antioch 7; BUNKER HILL 116; CALVARY 55; CLEAR CREEK 50; CEDAR GROVE 53; COLUMBIA 146; EAST COLUMBIA 60; FOX-WORTH 21; GOSS 53; Hub 1; HURRICANE CREEK 69; IMPROVE 9, KOKOMO 65; NEW HOPE 40; NORTH COLUMBIA 31; PINE BUR 21; SANDY HOOK 30; SHILOH 31; SPRING COTTAGE 16; and WHITE BLUFF 15.

Marshall County Association

Although Pastor J. E. Trammell was physically unable to be present and help Mt. Moriah Church entertain the Marshall County tradition. The dinner was fit not for a king but for kings.

Mt. Moriah church is one of the historic buildings of this section. It is a brick structure and built by slaves before the Civil War. Recently the grounds have been greatly improved.

Rev. H. H. Aultman was elected moderator; Mrs. Zallie Puryear, clerk, and Dr. W. C. Sandusky, treasurer.

The Baptist Record was given a good spot on the morning program to report to the Marshall County Baptists about the work of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Marshall County are now listed as follows: BYHALIA 55, CORNERSVILLE 32; HOLLY SPRINGS 216; Mt. SLAYDEN 61; and Spring Hill 2.

Carroll County Ass'n.

Carroll County Baptists and their moderator, Rev. W. Martin Smith, gave me a royal welcome to the meeting of their association at Carrollton Church.

I had a good spot in the morning to discuss the work of the Baptist Record and an equally good spot in the afternoon to discuss the work of State Missions.

Pastor W. Martin Smith and the Carrollton Baptists took those who attended the association to the Community House for dinner. What a dinner it was!

Several pastors told us they planned to do something about the Baptist Record in the very near future.

Officers elected are: Moderator,

Two From Mississippi Appointed Missionaries



REV. AND MRS. O. C. ROBISON

Rev. and Mrs. Oren Charles Robison, Jr., of Hattiesburg, were appointed missionaries to Nigeria at the September meeting of the Foreign Mission Board. Until recently Mr. Robison served as interim pastor at Immanuel Church and taught at Mississippi Woman's College. Mrs. Robison was a student and campus nurse at the college.

Mr. Robison is a native of Okmulgee, Okla. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and Southern Seminary.

Mrs. Robison, formerly Martha Boaz, is a native of Murray, Ky. She has an R. N. degree from the Kentucky Baptist Hospital School of Nursing, Louisville.

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Central Pastors Conf. To Meet October 13

According to an announcement by Dr. William P. Davis, Flora, the Central Mississippi Baptist Pastors Conference will meet in the Baptist Building in Jackson on October 13. The program will begin at 10 o'clock.

Rev. Fred Tarpley, associational missionary for Hinds county, will bring the message and Rev. Calvin Inman will bring the devotional.

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COAT CHURCH MAKING UNUSUAL PROGRESS

Coat Church in Simpson county, under leadership of Pastor Virgil D. Davis, is making unusual progress.

During his ministry of 4½ years a building valued at \$10,000 has been constructed and recently the church has gone from quarter-time to half-time.

The membership now is 101. A Training Union and W. M. U. have recently been organized. Mrs. Ruby Magee is church pianist, Clifton Magee, choir director, Ralph Stubbs, Jr., is Training Union director and Mrs. Virgil Davis is W. M. S. president.

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Rev. W. Martin Smith; Vice-Moderator, Rev. Joe Cooper; Clerk, Rev. W. M. Hull.

Record readers in Carroll County are now listed as follows: Calvary 11, CARROLLTON 21, Centerville 6, Coila 2, Harmony 14, Leflore 1, Liberty 12, McCarley 3, Mt. Olive 5, Mt. Pisgah 7, New Jerusalem 1, New Salem 5, New Shiloh 1, NORTH CARROLLTON 45, Old Plank 1, Providence 9, VAIDEN 46, and Black Hawk 1.

Leland Mission Becomes Second Baptist Church

The Second Baptist Church of Leland, with 102 members, came into being on Sunday, Sept. 21, when the Bogue mission of the First Church was organized into a full-fledged church.

The organizational council was made up of pastors and deacons of other churches in the area and was presided over by Rev. Wilford M. Lee, pastor of First Church.

Called as pastor was Rev. Wilford Fuller, formerly pastor of the church at Lambert.

He is a native of Louisiana and a graduate of the New Orleans Seminary.

The exercises of the service included the formal organization of the church, the calling of the pastor, the adoption of the Constitution and by-laws, the presenting of the deed, the election of church officers, the taking of a mission offering and the reception of new members.

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Hear The Baptist Hour

Rev. Charles Wellborn will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program on Sunday, October 5. His message will be heard over 310 stations.

Mississippians can hear the Baptist Hour over the following stations:

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLAU, Laurel, 8 a. m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRJW, Picayune, 1 p. m.; WVIM, Vicksburg; WJPR, Greenville, 6 p. m.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 5—WMS Focus Week; Rev. H. E. Keen, Jr., Marshall Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

October 6 — Brotherhood District Clinics; Roy Blackwell, Waltham Associational Brotherhood President.

October 7 — Mrs. C. E. Nichols, staff, Baptist Hospital; Mrs. W. F. Taylor, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

October 8—Mrs. Louie Farmer, Jr., staff, Clarke College; Mrs. Julia Todd, faculty, Mississippi College.

October 9 — James Rogers, State BSU Publicity Chairman; Noel Chamblee, Winston Associational Training Union Director.

October 10—Wilburn Smith, Oktibeha Association Board member; Mrs. W. C. Sandusky, Marshall Asociational WMJ Superintendent.

October 11—Bradley Tarver, Mississippi Associational Sunday School superintendent; Katherine Irwin, Secretary, State BSU Council.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

September 28, 1952

Jackson, West	246	149
Jackson, Parkway	1154	565
Jackson, Parkway Chapel	185	167
Jackson, North Side	702	211
Jackson, Crestwood	669	350
Jackson, First	1626	567
Main Church	1471	506
Broadmoor Chapel	242	162
Jackson, Daniel Mem.	622	318
Jackson, Van Winkle	520	277
Van Winkle Mission	52	66
Jackson, Calvary	1617	494
Main Church	1551	434
Mission	66	60
Paul Truitt Rankin Co.)	242	162
Richland (Rankin Co.)	183	89
Laurel, Wildwood	104	58
Laurel, First	513	157
Laurel, Second Ave.	402	79
Laurel, West	433	116
Mission	38	
Cranfield	68	74
Midway Lauderdale Co.)	153	89
Ruth	63	77
Pearlhaven (Lincoln Co.)	186	80
Pleasant Grove		
(Lincoln Co.)	139	98
Philadelphia, First	409	124
Concord (Choctaw Co.)	108	97
Chester (Choctaw Co.)	73	
Enterprise	167	138
Columbus, East End	237	75
Vicksburg, First	647	189
Pascagoula, Unity	79	52
McComb, Friendship	202	105
Hattiesburg, Temple	643	206
Brookhaven, First	905	365
Main Church	752	242
Hamilton	116	66
Southway	37	57
Hattiesburg, Main St.	1163	342
Oral (Lamar Co.)	83	51
Houston, First	280	164
Amity (Chickasaw Co.)	52	87
Gulfport, First	881	244
Itta Bena, First	198	84
Purvis	314	103
Union Walthall Co.)	109	106
Pleasant Ridge		
(Chickasaw Co.)	92	81
Woodville	190	119
Foxworth	189	81
Meridian, Highland	550	179
Ruleville	208	73
Calvary Mission	57	30
Center Ridge (Yazoo Co.)	187	139
Meridian, Oakland Hgts.	255	81
Mt. Zion Lincoln Co.)	112	69
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	68	84
Gulfport, New Hope	96	44
Clinton	714	387
Louisville, First	508	202
Louisville, East	58	40
Louisville, South	61	51
Louisville, West End	44	44
Handsboro	235	103
Picayune, Roseland Park	183	77
Springfield Adams Co.)	69	30
Yazoo City, First	546	196
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	525	202
Newton	551	300
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	157	126
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	111	71
Magee's Creek		
(Walthall Co.)	117	76
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	67	72
Glenfield Union Co.)	89	105
Columbus, Southside	131	81
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	140	53
Glendale	68	72
Hernando, First	195	112
Delay	65	68
Grenada, First	716	110
New Prospect		
(Lincoln Co.)	162	149
Crystal Springs, First	820	248
Union (Alcorn Co.)	53	77
Columbus, First	1006	314
Kosciusko, First	860	262

Southern Seminary To Have School Of Religious Education

The faculty of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, on August 27, accepted a report recommend- ing to the trustees of the Seminary the establishment of a School of Religious Education in Louisville, Kentucky. This action came in re- sponse to a request of the trustees that the Seminary faculty make a careful study of the needs and the best procedures to care for them.

The faculty statement reads in part "When the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was founded in 1859, the outstanding need of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention was for an intelli- gent, spiritual leadership, which expressed itself almost exclusively in the preaching and pastoral min- istry. With the passing of the years our churches have experienced un- believable expansion and the local church program has been develop- ed to include a large and varied program demanding trained work- ers in other areas of religious leadership. In view of the many re- quests that have come to the Sem- inary in recent years for trained workers to assist in the promo- tion, direction, and improvement of this expanded church pro- gram... we recommend that as soon as funds are available the trustees establish a School of Religious Education.

The faculty recommendation provides for a two-year course leading to the Master of Religious Education degree and two years of graduate work leading to the Doctor of Religious Education de- gree. The proposed School of Religious Education will be open to both men and women. Recent action of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School in withdraw- ing from the field of religious edu- cation makes this possible. Admis- sion standards will be the same as for theological students, the at- tainment of the A. B. degree ex- cept in the case of those whose cir- cumstances make attending col- lege for four years absolutely im- possible. However, no degree is to be offered for religious education students who do not possess a col- lege degree.

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Oh, Taste and See is a devotion- al anthem with no solos. It is by Edward Shippen Barnes. Individual copies are 18 cents. This anthem won honorable mention in Lorenz's Sixtieth Anniversary Contest. Or- der by Catalog No. 9783 from the publishers, The Lorenz Pub- lishing Co., Dayton, Ohio.

Grenada, Emmanuel	164	68
Edwards	111	52
Kreole First	102	45
Harmony (Tippah Co.)	102	25
Pascagoula, First	888	322
Main School	703	225
Jackson Ave. Mission	72	31
McArthur Mission	58	36
Orange Grove Mission	42	30
River View Mission	13	
Jackson, Robinson St.	139	72

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Sandersville	112	62
Coat (Simpson Co.)	55	47
McComb, South	265	88

Baptist Hour Programs Now On WVIM, Vicksburg

Station WVIM, Vicksburg, is now carrying the Baptist program, THE BAPTIST HOUR, at 5:30 p. m., on Sundays.

People throughout this area are invited to avail themselves of hearing outstanding messages and music on this program.

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DEDICATION SERVICE TO MARK CLOSE OF CANTON PASTORATE

Debt-free Dedication Services for the new Elementary Building on October 26 will mark the clos- ing services by Dr. John W. Lan- drum as pastor of First Church, Canton. Dr. Landrum will begin his pastorate of First Church of Grenada on November 1.

This new building, in use less than two years, has been widely acclaimed as the outstanding structure of its type in the entire Southern Baptist Convention, and the paying of final notes on it will open the door for future construc- tion on a long range program.

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Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were: Mrs. L. V. Cooper, Morton; Shirley Beard, Morton; Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Chan- dler and Jimmy, Summit; H. H. White, Jr., Flora; Dr. William P. Davis, Flora; Arnold B. Simmons, Jr., Summit; Dr. Hendon M. Har- ris, Clinton; Rev. Roe Wilson, Summit; Rev. G. W. Smith, Lena; Mrs. A. L. Favre, Jackson; Mrs. D. H. Goolock, Jr., Clinton; W. J. Hughes, Clinton; E. E. Ingram, Mize; Rev. and Mrs. Dick Gwyn, Summerland; Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. Futral, Edwards; Ann Rush, West Enterprise; Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Rush, West Enterprise; G. L. Welch, Braxton; Mrs. Ezra Da- vis, Columbia; W. Doyle Kelly, Ridgeland; Mrs. T. E. Collins, Jr., Utica; Mrs. Jim Curry, Eupora; Billy Kelly, Jackson; Kathleen Jones, Jackson; Dora Lou Wag- gener, Jackson; Mrs. C. B. Mar- tin, Eupora; Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Coulter, Clinton; Mrs. L. D. Wil- liams, Tallulah, La.; Rev. and Mrs. Martin Williams, Clinton; Martin "Butch" Williams, Clinton, and Sebe Dale, Columbia.

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Our Church Plans for Adult Edu- cation (paper bound 75 cents) by Idris W. Jones is a manual on ad- ministration. It is published by the Judson Press, Chicago, Illinois. The manual provides the members of these new boards with helps and guidance in relation to the church's program of Christian education for men and women over twenty four years of age. It is one of three manuals dealing with the adminis- tration of Christian education in Baptist churches which have been prepared for workers with children, youth, and adults. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

Prize Winning Hymn Written By Retired School Teacher Commemorates New Version of Bible

NEW YORK, Sept. 27—A retired school teacher of Central Falls, Rhode Island, in competition with scores of the nation's most successful hymn writers, has written the hymn that the nation will sing in cele- bration of the appearance of a Bible in the language of the people.

"The Divine Gift," the result of an inspiration that came one night to Miss Sarah E. Taylor as she was going to sleep, had its premier at 3,200 celebrations of the publication of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, Tuesday night, September 30.

The honor of having her hymn sung the same evening by more than 2,000,000 Christians in hundreds of cities, towns and villages came to Miss Taylor, school teacher for nearly 50 years, by a judges' decision declaring her the winner of a nationwide contest in which 550 hymns were submitted. The contest was conducted by the Hymn Society of America.

In announcing the winner of the contest, Dr. Reginald McAll, executive secretary of the Hymn Society, said Miss Taylor's hymn is assured "the greatest introduction ever given any hymn." It will be sung to the tune of "Ancient of Days," known to virtually all Protest- ants, or "Charterhouse," an alternate tune. The hymn follows:

THE DIVINE GIFT
Tune: "Ancient of Days"
Alternate: "Charterhouse"

O God of Light, thy word, a lamp unfailing,
Shines through the darkness of our earthly way,
O'er fear and doubt, o'er black despair prevailing,
Guiding our steps to thine eternal day.

From days of old, through swiftly rolling ages,
Thou hast revealed thy will to mortal men,
Speaking to saints, to prophets, kings and sages,
Who wrote the message with immortal pen.

Undimmed by time, the word is still revealing
To sinful men thy justice and thy grace;
And questing hearts that long for peace and healing
See thy compassion in the Saviour's face.

To all the world the message thou art sending,
To every land, to every race and clan;
And myriad tongues, in one great anthem blending,
Acclaim with joy thy wondrous gift to man. Amen.

—Sarah E. Taylor.

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A New Old Testament

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sion was still adequate, and that any change from it would be a mistake. However, the committee finally reached an almost unanimous agreement in favor of revision along certain lines. The translation was to be kept as near the King James tradition as possible in the light of our present knowledge of Greek and Hebrew texts on the one hand, and our present understanding of English on the other.

The original committee was soon enlarged to fifteen members who worked along with an Advisory Board of fifty representatives of the cooperating denominations. The committee worked in two sections, one dealing with the Old Testament and one with the New Testament. Each section submitted its work to the other, and a two third majority vote of the entire committee was necessary to change any previously authorized reading.

About the time the committee was ready to begin its work on the actual translation, our country was plunged into a great financial depression, and the work ceased in January, 1932, due to lack of funds for necessary expenses. It should be said here that these necessary expenses never included stipends or honoraria for the members of the committee. The Executive Secretary, whose time was almost entirely consumed with this work, was the only member ever to receive a salary. We owe an immense debt of gratitude to those who labored so long and faithfully to make this new translation possible without any material reward for themselves.

It was not until 1937 that sufficient funds were secured to continue the work. It became necessary at that time to reorganize the committee since only six members of the older committee could continue.

In February, 1946, nine years after the work was resumed, the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament was published. In one short year after its publication one million copies had already been sold.

The problems confronting the Old Testament section of the committee were much more varied, numerous, and difficult than those with which the New Testament section had to deal. But "just past noon on the twenty fourth day of June, 1951, the Old Testament section of the Standard Bible Committee, wearied by twelve full days of intensive work together, brought to a close the final discussion of a point of translation policy, thus ending the formal committee sessions on the Revised Standard Version." For fourteen years many of them had met periodically for these meetings. This was their last. At the suggestion of their chairman they arose about a long table piled with reference books. Dr. Fleming James, their executive secretary, was asked to lead in prayer.

A moment of silence preceded the prayer. It was a high moment for these men — a historic moment for the kingdom of God. What stirred within the hearts of those scholars as they stood with bowed heads the world will never know. Perhaps it was a quick reflection back over the many years during

which they had labored together at their sacred task. Some may have reflected momentarily upon the depletion of their number by death and illness.

With all of the beauty and spiritual warmth for which his students and friends have loved him, Dr. James began his prayer which has since been reconstructed:

Almighty God, who didst reveal thyself of old in thy holy Word, and didst choose us through thy Church to make a revision of the Hebrew Scriptures in the speech of our own day; we thank thee for the privilege thus bestowed upon us, and pray that our work may be acceptable in thy sight. Vouch safe to speak to countless hearts in these pages over which we have labored. May this new Version quicken men's interest in the Bible, and teach them to walk more surely in the way everlasting, that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified.

In particular we thank thee for our association with one another in this high task, and for the friendships thus formed and ripened over the years. Though our long and frequent meetings now have ended, may our mutual love continue; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

With the end of the work on the translation, the work of printing began. It is hard to imagine the tremendous task of typesetting, galley proofing, proof reading, and page proofing.

"On March 19, 1952, the presses began their grueling task of printing one million copies of the new English Bible, the largest single commercial printing of any book in the history of printing — and almost exactly five hundred years after the first book, the Gutenberg Bible, had been printed with its ninety copies!"

This new translation of the Old Testament embodies all of the changes in meaning of English words; all of the knowledge derived from the latest discoveries; and all of the techniques and methods for the best translation.

One of the most obvious changes in this new translation is the abandonment of the name "Jehovah" for God which was used by the American Standard Version and the return to the procedure of the King James Version, that of using the name LORD, or in the same cases GOD in capital letters. Other examples of changes may be found in Genesis 4:8; I Samuel 14:

NOTED BAPTIST VISITS SOUTHERN SEMINARY



DR. T. G. DUNNING

Dr. T. G. Dunning, director of education, Temperance and Social Service in Great Britain, was the speaker at the chapel service of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary recently. This is the first Southern Baptist institution which Dr. Dunning has visited on this trip to America. He had spoken in Canada before coming to the United States.

41; Amos 6:12; and Psalm 8:1,2.

An important case where recent scholarship has recovered for us deeper meaning which has not appeared in previous translations is found in the use of the term of "steadfast love" for the King James' "mercy" and the American Standard's "loving kindness."

The closing words of the preface of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible tell us what this new translation is and what its editors hope to accomplish through it.

"The Revised Standard Version is not a new translation in the language of today. It is not a paraphrase which aims at striking idioms. It is a revision which seeks to preserve all that is best in the English Bible as it has been known and used through the years. It is intended for use in public and private worship, not merely for reading and instruction. We have resisted the temptation to use phrases that are merely current usage, and have sought to put the message of the Bible in simple, enduring words that are worthy to stand in the great Tyndale-King James tradition. We are glad to say, with the King James translators: 'Truly good

Baptist Hour Presents Layman's Day Program

The nationwide Baptist Hour radio broadcast will feature a special Layman's Day program on Sunday, October 12. Charles Wellborn will present a special message for laymen entitled, "Let's Open up the Ministry." George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will also have a word of greeting for the million men listening to the Baptist Hour from coast to coast.

The Radio Commission and the Brotherhood Commission are promoting this special broadcast, and it is expected that more than a million men will be by their radios for this service, in addition to the regular Baptist Hour audience.

Mr. Wellborn will point up the need for consecrated Christian laymen in his message, and Mr. Schroeder will give a ringing challenge to the laymen for greater Christian service.

Christian Reader) we never thought from the beginning, that we should need to make a new Translation, nor yet to make of a bad one a good one. . . but to make a good one better.

"The Bible is more than a historical document to be preserved. And it is more than a classic of English literature to be cherished and admired. It is a record of God's dealing with men, of God's revelation of Himself and His will. It records the life and work of Him in whom the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among men. The Bible carries its full message, not to those who regard it simply as a heritage of the past or praise its literary style, but to those who read it that they may discern and understand God's Word to men. That word must not be disguised in phrases that are no longer clear, or hidden under words that have changed or lost their meaning. It must stand forth in language that is direct and plain and meaningful to people today. It is our hope and earnest prayer that this Revised Standard Version of the Bible may be used by God to speak to men in these momentous times, and to help them to understand and believe and obey His Word."

Many Congressmen Drink Says People Today

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (BR)— There are two alcoholics in the Senate and about six in the House, the magazine People Today states in its current issue. The magazine article reports that one Senator is so distinguished for his heavy liquor breath when he debates that his colleagues once thought of expelling him. In the House, where the vote has been close, sober members and propelled them to the voting line, the article says. Other evidence listed by the magazine:

One House alcoholic is a brilliant orator. When word gets out that he is intoxicated and is going to make a speech, he draws a full house. Representative Hall Democrat of New York, denied implying that tipsy lawmakers might leak atom secrets to the Reds, but he added that there is too much drinking in Washington.

National statistics support the latter charge. The District consumes an average of 5.36 gallons of hard liquor for every man, woman and child each year. The national average is 1.29 gallons. Most Congressmen are drinkers, the magazine says. It calls them "careful social drinkers."

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

(A CORRECTION: In an item of September 4th relative to a meeting at Bentonla twenty-five years ago, the statement, "Pastor L. G. Loft was assisted by Rev. Hendon M. Harris" is an error. Dr. Harris was the pastor when he was supply pastor at Clinton).

40 YEARS AGO—

Student M. O. Patterson of the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., assisted Student-Pastor J. L. Boyd in "a gracious meeting" at Sonora, Ky., the pastor leading the singing. Results: 12 additions, nine by baptism.

25 YEARS AGO—

Pastor W. O. Carter of Silver Creek opened the Lawrence County Association with a helpful devotional message; B. E. Phillips was re-elected moderator. Brother John Terry elected clerk and B. F. Speights treasurer. Rev. W. S. Landrum preached the association sermon. "And there were several near preachers present."

Pastor Van C. Walker reports 19 additions to the Salem church in Walthall county, 18 for baptism, Rev. J. M. Metts, assisting. Also eleven additions to the New Hope church, ten by baptism, same preacher. Evangelists W. W. Kyzar and Joe Canzoneri closed a revival with the Eudora church, DeSoto County, with 32 additions, 28 for baptism, Rev. W. W. Grafton, pastor.

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Thursday, October 2, 1952

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

WINSTON COUNTY HOLDS CENTRAL SCHOOL OF MUSIC

During the week of September 15-19, the Central School of Music was held for Winston county Association in the First Church, Louisville with the State Music Director leading. The School was held under the auspices of the association organization of which Mrs. R. A. Heritage was director. Mr. Solon Wilkes of the Calvary Church has been recommended to the Association Executive Committee for the Associational Music Director for 1953. Classes were held each evening, studying our basic theory book Practical Music Lessons.

The promotion of the School was under the County Mission Program, Rev. Norris Hickman, is Associational Missionary. Rev. James Fairchild, pastor of the Louisville church, cooperated in every way and did much toward promoting the interest of the School. It is our prayer that the Lord will continue to bless the music work in Winston county.

MISSISSIPPI IS GREAT LOSER IN THE LOSS OF DR. B. B. McKINNEY

Dr. B. B. McKinney, South-wide Secretary of Music, teacher, composer, song and hymn writer, editor, and great christian spirit is gone.

Dr. McKinney was scheduled to

be in the Mississippi Baptist Leadership School in August of 1953 to lead in the singing of his great songs and to acquaint Mississippi with a great Christian. Those of us who know Dr. McKinney understand the great loss we have sustained in his untimely death. Southern Baptists do not have another great song writer but in our midst, another great writer will come. Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Sunday School Board, stated in his message at the funeral of Dr. McKinney, that the greatest of all great things about Dr. McKinney was the fact that he never did realize that he was greater. Mississippi is sustaining a great loss, but it will make us more determined to lead out and follow through with the ideas of this great leader that has influenced the largest of our churches with his singing and his songs.

ASSOCIATIONS ARE ASKED TO READ THE MUSIC REPORT

In the associational meetings that are in session throughout the state all music directors are requested to read the music report. A digest of this report appeared in this column recently. Copies of the report were mailed to all associations from the Baptist Building.

All officers of the music association elected by the association will please notify the Music Office at the earliest possible moment.

FRANK MERRIAM

Friends and relatives were grieved to learn of the death of Frank Merriam on July 15, 1952. Frank was the only son of Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Merriam of Waynesboro, Miss. A few weeks before his death he graduated from Meridian High School.

He was a member of the State Line Church and active in Sunday School and church. His burial was in the State Line Cemetery. The death of one so young and promising emphasizes anew that "God moves in mysterious ways His wonders to perform."—Mrs. P. H. Lankford.

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Rev. L. C. Pinnix, who recently resigned the Drew pastorate, is moving to North Carolina where he has accepted the position as associate pastor and minister of Music for the Second Baptist Church, Shelby, N. C.



DR. J. RALPH NOONKESTER

Shown above is Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, associate professor of Bible and Religious Education at Mississippi Woman's College. Dr. Noonkester holds the BA degree from the University of Virginia and the Th. D. from the Southern Seminary. While studying in the Seminary, he served as Fellow under Dr. H. C. Goerner in the Department of Comparative History and Religion. He succeeds Dr. Cecil W. Jones who has recently gone to Bay Springs as pastor.

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Rev. W. E. Hardy, pastor of the Washington Church, recently assisted Rev. Oliver Hood in a revival at Mt. Zion Church at Independence. This was Mr. Hardy's fourth year to be with the Mt. Zion Church. And since his pastorate there in 1928 there has been a modern brick building erected. There were 16 additions, 14 by baptism.

A SPEEDY CLERK



MRS. EMMA SIMPSON

Show above is Mrs. Emma Simpson of Ashland, who for 23 years has served continuously as clerk of the Benton County Baptist Association. Thirteen days after the association adjourned on last September 9 a copy of her 1952 Minutes was received by J. L. Boyd, Custodian of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Society, in Clinton, to be placed in the permanent files in the Mississippi College library.

Mrs. Simpson is a model associational clerk, having placed her Association in the "Distinguished Class" of Associations by keeping her Association's file complete from its organization in 1921. Twenty-seven of the seventy-four Associations in the State are in this class through 1951.

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Agricola Church Adds Five New Deacons

The Church in Agricola installed five new deacons at an impressive service Sunday afternoon, Sept. 21 as follows: Paul Bullard, J. B. Myrick, J. O. Shows, Sam Jordan and S. W. Barton.

Rev. Joe Haigler, pastor of First Baptist Church in Pritchard, Ala., preached the ordination sermon for those not previously ordained to the deaconate.

The ordination prayer was delivered by Rev. Jeff Eubanks; the charge to the deacons was given by Rev. Frank Lawton, faculty member of Clarke Memorial College, Newton.

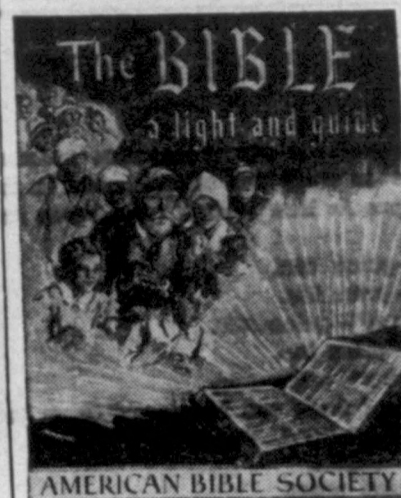
Rev. Percy Magee is the pastor.



A STANDARD INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT is pictured above. This department is in the Training Union of the Edon Church of Jasper County. It has reached the standard and has been A-1 for two quarters. This same Department won the efficiency banner of the Jasper County Association for two quarters. Mrs. W. G. Kelly is leader; Vernal King is director; and Rev. Artis Brewer is pastor.

Baptist Training Union

Auber J. Wilds State Secretary, Box 530, Jackson 5, Miss.
Associate—Miss Joyce Whitten, Office Secretary; Miss. Louise Hill,
Director Intermediate and Young People's Work



The Bible continues to be the "Best Seller" among the books. We believe it is the most widely read book of all. In the Southern Baptist Convention territory we feel sure of the fact that the Bible is read more than any other single book. That is as it should be. In our Training Union program we insist on the Training Union readings be for individual, private devotion, and that the daily Sunday School readings be used as scripture for the Family Altar. If you had an ache or pain and you knew an aspirin tablet would bring you relief, you'd take it—Right? well why not read God's work daily for solace and comfort? also for guidance and strength for the days journey?

ATTENTION JUNIOR LEADERS

We are happy to announce that the new Junior Workers Plan Book is ready for you and will be sent post haste from the Baptist Book Store upon receipt of your order. The 200-page looseleaf filler costs \$1. It fits the regular three-ring Training Union note book binder which also sells for \$1 from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. The new plan book replaces the Junior Leader's Plan Book (with supplements) which has been in use for several years. There are no supplements now, but all activity suggestions and sketches are also included in the Junior Worker's Plan Book which is designed for Junior Department directors as well as the union leaders. Every Junior director and leader will want one of these new books. Order today and start the new year with it.

PARKWAY REPORTS THEIR STUDY COURSE

Starting off on Sunday night with a banquet for Intermediates, young people, and adults with 325 attending, a special program in the Junior Building for the Juniors with 150 attending, and some forty in the nursery, a total of about 550, the study course of the Parkway Jackson Training Union had an average attendance for the five days of 335. This is perhaps the largest single church study course attendance in Mississippi history and we extend congratulations to the church with its leaders.

CALVARY GREENWOOD REPORTS AN ALL HIGH ATTENDANCE

Tuning in on Calvary Greenwood we hear the Training Union Director say "Last Sunday night we had a goal of 226 and we made it exactly. That was our goal because we needed that number to make an average of even 200 for the months of June, July and August (14 Sundays). Two weeks ago we had a goal of 230 and we had an all time high of 276 present. We thank God for this progress and pray that it may continue.

WELCOME SOUTHWIDE WORKERS

Next week Hinds county is having a simultaneous enlargement campaign. In addition to a number of our fine workers in Mississippi, we are to have five of our South-wide Training Union workers with us. This is State Fair Week in Jackson, and because of that the work isn't going to be as easy, but most of the churches are going right ahead with the plans and are praying for a great outpouring of the Spirit of God. Every church needs to enlarge its Training Union. Keep working on the matter of enlistment. The people not now in training union have a contribution they can make to the organization. Go after them on that basis.

DO YOU HAVE A POSTAL CARD?

The associations have been meeting and will continue to meet in October. We would like very much if you will send us a card with the name and address of the ones who are elected as officer in the Associational Training Union. Thank you.

A NEW CHURCH IN LAFAYETTE

A new church has been organized in Lafayette Co. This church is about ten miles west of Oxford on the old Sardis road. It was organized on Sunday afternoon September 7th. The interesting thing about it is it started with a Training Union. As a Mission of a few months it had a training union, so was born a church with this good right arm ready for service. They named their church in honor of the man who gave the property on which the temporary building is located, the "Matthews Baptist Church." To be born right is to the advantage of a church as well as to a person.

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Woman's Missionary Union

President—Miss Almarine Brown, Jackson;
Executive Secretary—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Secretary—Miss Nell Taylor;
Royal Ambassador Secretary—Joel Ray

Foreign Mission Week of Prayer

DECEMBER 1-5

The months of October and November are preparation months. Each organization should plan now to study one of the books in the graded series "Advance in New Fields." The books are in the Baptist Book Store now:

Women—"Scattered Abroad"—price 60c.

Y. W. A.'s—"Rainbow South"—price 60c.

Intermediates—"Clash of Swords"—price 35c.

Juniors—"The Birthday Wish"—price 35c.

Sunbeams—"A Lei for Malcolm"—price 35c.

Teaching helps (free) for each of these can be secured from the Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond, Va.

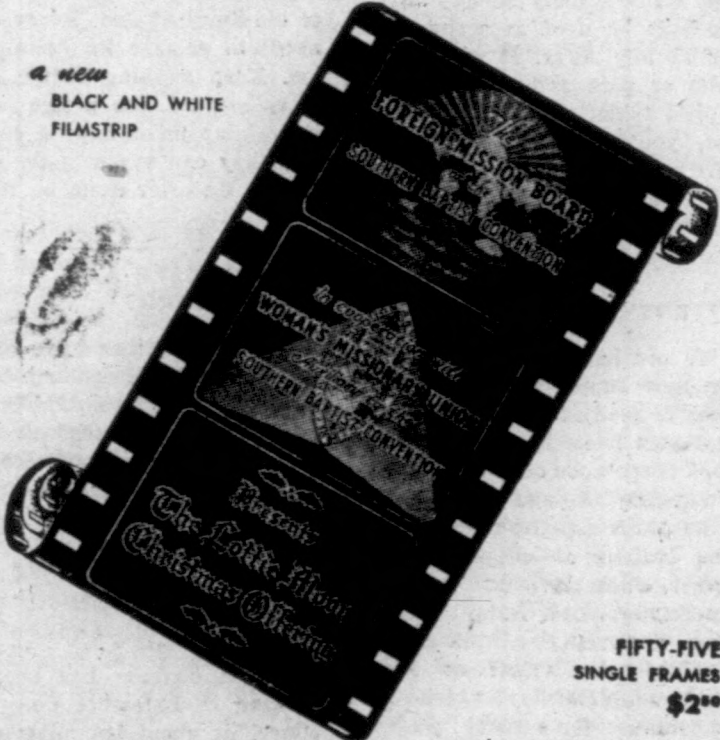
SOMETHING NEW

We have long wanted something of this kind and asked the Foreign Mission Board to prepare it. This filmstrip will help you see what is being done by the Lottie Moon Offering. If you have access to the equipment for showing a filmstrip—let me urge you to purchase one of the filmstrips, and show it to all of your constituency—women and young people. It is most informing and helpful.

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In addition to the above filmstrip there are others ready, that will be excellent in the teaching of the mission study books or for general information.

Baptist Missions in Southeast Asia

Baptist Missions in Europe

The Challenge of Asia

These three filmstrips are in color and are \$5.00 each. They are not available for rental—can only be purchased. The Baptist Book Store has these in stock.

NOTICE — CHANGE IN PRICE IMPORTANT

Everything has gone up — So have W. M. U. Magazines

Subscription rate is now \$1.50 a year

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IS GLEN ALLAN PASTOR



REV. JAMES B. CARPENTER

Rev. James B. Carpenter has been called to the pastorate of the Glen Allan church, which recently went from half time to full time. Mr. Carpenter, who came from the Deerford, La., pastorate, is a graduate of Clarke College, Mississippi College, and the New Orleans Seminary.

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Governor Adlai E. Stevenson is quoted as saying at a press conference on September 16 that he does not plan to nominate an ambassador to the Vatican if he is elected president. He said, however, that it might be possible that he would consider some sort of personal representation at the Vatican in order to have the advantage of information available from that source.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

(Lunch will be served unless otherwise indicated)

Dist. 1—Nov. 5—Jackson, Parkway: Bring sandwiches—drink and salad furnished

2—Oct. 28—Leland

3—Oct. 29—Oxford

4—Oct. 30—Okolona. Bring sandwiches—salad, drink and dessert furnished

5—Nov. 7—Kosciusko, First. Bring sandwiches—salad, drink and dessert furnished

6—Nov. 6—Walnut Grove

7—Nov. 4—New Palestine (2 miles west of Picayune) Bring sandwiches—drink and dessert furnished

8—Oct. 31—Brookhaven, First

ANNUAL CORONATION AND RECOGNITION SERVICE PEARL RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



Pearl River Association's annual Coronation and Recognition Service was held this year at Picayune First Baptist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Robert R. Smith, Associational Young People's Leader, and Mrs. Curtis Smith, Associational Royal Ambassador Counselor.

Those receiving recognition for the highest Steps and Ranks were: QUEEN-WITH-SCEPTER; Emily Ruth King, Carrie Ruth Smith; AMBASSADOR PLENIPOTENTIARY: Billy Wayne Swilly, Jerry Bond. Evelyn Ladner, Queen Regent, assisted in giving out the awards.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

LAYMAN'S DAY

October 12, 1952

WHAT IS IT?

Sunday, October 12th, is the day Southern Baptists recognize the Laymen of their churches. This is the day to challenge and use the Laymen of your church for the Master. This is the day to show off your men by letting them have a real part in the day's worship, teaching and training services of your church.

If the pastor is willing, have him invite some Baptist Layman to fill the pulpit one or both services.

WHAT TO DO!

Plan it — Pastors and Brotherhood officers meet together and make the plans for the day.

Proclaim it—Advertise it well — newspapers, visitation, announcements.

Follow through — Work your plans, and appoint the committees needed.

Pray for it — No church effort can succeed without prayer.

Report it — Count the attendance of men (17 and above) in each service of the day and report to the Jackson office.

WHY OBSERVE IT!

There are men in your church community who have little interest in the affairs of the church. Layman's Day may attract their attention and win the interest of such men, being the means of ultimately reaching them for Christ.

There are men in your church who, regular in their attendance have never felt that there is a real job for them in the church. Proper observance of Layman's Day can impress such men with the vital part they can play in the life of their church.

There are men who are serving their church, but the church has never had an opportunity to give proper recognition for this service. Layman's Day offers such an opportunity!

In winning, enlisting and honoring the men of your church, Layman's Day can make a lasting contribution!

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REV. M. A. DAVIS

Rev. Montie A. Davis, pastor of the Raleigh Church, is to be the evangelist at the Baxterville Church during their revival, October 5-10. Rev. H. L. Fewell is pastor of the Baxterville church.

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THOMAS ELBERT ALLEN

Tom E. Allen who was born May 11, 1868 at Georgetown died August 27, 1952. Interment was in Galilee Cemetery.

He was married on Dec. 27, 1893 to Miss Janie Cagle who predeceased him in death 18 years ago. To this union were born eight children, four sons and four daughters.

He was a faithful member of the Galilee Baptist Church, Copiah County, for more than 50 years. He was a gentleman in every sense of the word, and possessed a quiet, gentle, and sympathetic disposition. He loved people and especially his own family, and those with whom he associated closely.

He spent his entire life in the community he was born, and owned and operated his farm up until his death.

We still will hold you dear in our hearts, and we are proud of your good name.

We will meet you in Heaven on God's Eternal Shore where parting is no more.

His Children:

Mrs. L. L. Little, Mrs. A. N. Geen, Mrs. F. E. Gammill, Miss Abbie Allen, Wm. Floyd Allen, Wilbur C. Allen.

Baptist Student Union

CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary
MRS. CHARLES BINGHAM, Office Secretary
Box 530 — Phone 2-1600 — Jackson



DR. LAURENCE C. JONES

Dr. Laurence C. Jones, founder and principal of Piney Woods Country Life School, Piney Woods, Miss., and Dr. H. L. Lang, president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, are to participate in a forum on Christian Race Relations during our coming State Convention at Calvary Church, Jackson. Please remember them and the Convention prayerfully.

WILLIAM WALLACE HORNER

Born August 19, 1870, in Milan, Tenn., of Andrew Jackson lineage; as a boy winning the friendship of many as a newspaper venter at his hometown railroad station; distinguishing himself as a student at Bethel College (Ky.), Union University and Southern Baptist Seminary, as pastor in Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, Texas and Alabama, as a newspaper editor, as an author and as an evangelist, William Wallace Horner has quietly passed from time into eternity.

Though not the equal of Jesus, the only perfect one, he who was our father in the flesh was like Jesus in the courage of his convictions, in an almost pristine purity of mind, and in a childlike tenderness of heart. His faith in the living God was enthusiastic and contagious. Hope sprang continuously in his breast. And love motivated his conduct. He was, we believe, great according to God's standard of greatness—great as a preacher and pastor, great as a friend and brother, great as a husband, great as a father. He was not a famous man. Though he held important Southern Baptist pastorates and positions, his legacy is the blessing God made of him to the lives of countless unknowns. He loved people as Jesus loves them; yet never would he compromise with Bible truth in order to gain or to remain in the good graces of others or to secure or strengthen his position. His was a life well-spent in service, with meager monetary returns, and his four children, and his beloved second wife throughout their lives, will repeatedly rise up and call him blessed.

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Manager Willard Weeks reports that Ridgecrest registered 26,029 guests during the 1952 summer season which was nearly 3,000 more than last year. A total of 351,628 meals were served.



DR. H. L. LANG



MRS. ARIE PORTER FARR

Shown above is Mrs. Arie Porter Farr, former librarian at Clarke Memorial College and now serving on the library staff of Mississippi College for the coming session. Mrs. Farr is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Porter of McCall Creek.

She is a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College and has studied library science at the University of Illinois.

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Chunky Baptists Sponsor Sunday Radio Program

According to an announcement by Rev. Reece Acklen, pastor, the Chunky Baptist Church is sponsoring a morning radio service over Station WTOK in Meridian.

The program will be broadcast from 8 to 8:30 each Sunday morning.

Concerning the program Pastor Acklen said that there are so many "bad" programs on the air that the way to get better programs is to sponsor them yourself. The music will be furnished by the men of Chunky Church.

STOTTS MOVES IN NEW CRANFIELD PARSONAGE

Pastor and Mrs. L. J. Stotts and family have recently moved in the new six room parsonage built by the Cranfield Church. Pastor Stotts has been on the church field for four months.

There have been 40 additions, 20 by baptism, during his pastorate. Attendance in Sunday school and Training Union has increased.

Rev. J. R. Webb, pastor of the Carlisle Church in Henderson, Texas and a native Mississippian, is with the Cranfield Church this week leading in a revival.

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14 Additions Recorded in Harrisville Revival

There were 14 additions, 13 of them by baptism, during the revival of the Harrisville Church in Simpson County July 27.

Rev. J. H. Cothen, pastor of the Bouie St. Church, Hattiesburg, was the visiting evangelist and Rev. Percy M. Cooper, pastor of Alta Woods Church, Jackson, directed the music with Miss Billie Sue Harris of Harrisville, at the piano.

The Sunday evening service was an ordination service when the following men were ordained as deacons: C. G. Barlow, H. Z. Scarborough, C. E. Garrett, E. W. Chandler and Leo Murray.

The charge was given by the pastor, Rev. V. W. Malley, prayer led by the Rev. Mr. Cooper and the ordination sermon delivered by the Rev. Mr. Cothen.

Deacons taking part in the ordination were, B. T. McCollough and Owen Garrett, Braxton; D. H. Dear from Antioch; Bill Pierce from Holly Grove; J. M. McLeod, J. B. Chappell, A. C. Murray and J. W. Burkett of Harrisville.

The church is making splendid progress. H. Z. Scarborough is Sunday School Superintendent; Leo Murray is B. T. U. Director; and Mrs. W. L. Barlow is W. M. U. president.

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ROBERT BENN

Robert Benn, pictured above, a Choctaw Indian from Carthage and a student at Clarke Memorial College, Newton, has been elected president of the freshman class. Last year he was voted the outstanding boy athlete.

Robert is an all A ministerial student. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Benn, Route 1, Carthage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Associate Secretary
MISS JOYCE SUTTON, Office Secretary
PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate Elementary Secretary

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

We are now at the beginning of a new year in our church work.

May it be a great one in every good way to all who strive to do the will and work of Christ.

STATE MISSIONS FOUNDATION-BUILDER

Sunday, October 26, is State Mission Day in the Sunday School. This is the special emphasis in our schools the last Sunday of each October.

A special program has been prepared by the Sunday School Board and mailed free to all the superintendents. If you do not get yours let us know and we shall be happy to send one to you.

The title of the program this year is "State Missions—Foundation Builder." That is not only a good title for a program but it is also a very self-evident truth regarding our work. Unless the State Mission work is kept strong there cannot be a strong mission program anywhere.

Someone has likened State Missions to the seed corn of the farmer. If the farmer loses the seed, the entire crop is lost. If State Missions is permitted to become weak all is weak, and maybe lost.

The light that shines the farthest shines the brightest at home. The mission light that goes beyond the borders of Mississippi will be a very weak one unless mission work in the state is kept strong.

So, Brother Superintendent, plan now to have a great day in your church on October 26, with a great emphasis on State Missions in your Sunday School, and an offering for this worthy cause.

TRAINING AWARDS RECORDS FOR AUGUST, 1952

No. Awards for August. . . . 712
No. Awards to date. . . . 21,512
No. Churches to date. . . . 551
No. Associations. . . . 73

HIGH FIVE ASSOCIATIONS

1. Lauderdale 127
2. Jones 90
3. Hinds 78
4. Attala 73
5. Rankin 48

HIGH FIVE CHURCHES

1. Meridian, 15th Avenue . . . 125
2. Kosciusko, First 72
3. Jackson, First 43 (tie)
4. Rehobeth 43 (tie)
5. Hickory Grove 40

CHECK STANDARDS EARLY

It will be a fine thing to check your standard early in the new year and see just where you are. This applies to school, department and class. If you need blanks for making application for the award, we shall be glad to mail them to you on request.

Remember: Standard Units are Better.

WATCH THE BUILDER

The Sunday School Builder is a veritable storehouse of good things for Sunday School workers.

Each monthly issue is packed with so many fine and helpful suggestions for officers and teachers.

We marvel at times how so many good things can be in there each month, and with such a wide variety of approach. Many men and women from over our Southern Baptist Convention territory contribute to this wealth of valuable information and inspiration that come to us each month in the Builder.

However, we keep on finding many of our Sunday School people who do not get so much good from the Builder because they do not read it very carefully, and many do not try to apply to their own work any of the good suggestions offered therein.

Superintendents, class leaders, and department leaders can find in this magazine each month enough helpful materials to make any part of the school better, if they will only apply it. But however good it may be, no benefits will be coming unless we use it. No matter how good the medicine is, cure will not come unless it is taken.

So, use the Builder faithfully each month and make it indeed a helpful companion in the work of making your school, department, or class a better one, and it will help you do the job, too.

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
Clinton, Miss.

CALLED AND ACCEPTED:

James Williams, Midview Ch., Rt. 2, Kings Mountain, N. C.
David N. Morris, Temple Ch., Kings Mountain, N. C.
Jesse F. Colston, Winton, N. C. from Eagle Rock, Va.
Horace O. Barefoot, Newton Grove, N. C.
J. C. Gwaltney, Grace, Bristol, Va., from Grove Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.

Harold McKinnish, Tuxedo, N. C.
Wayne Peek, Bent Creek, Buncombe County, N. C. from Tuxedo
"J" Alman, Jr., Brooks, Ch., Louisville, Ky.

Richard Perkins, Calvary Mission, Mena, Arkansas.
Paul Davis, Oak Grove, Holston Association, Tenn.

R. C. Tennyson, First, San Saba, Texas from Hamilton.
L. A. McKinney, Pine Springs, Tyle, Tex., from Hughes Springs.
John L. Gary, Wilmett Ch., Winters, Texas from Parkview Ch., Plainview, Tex.

W. Mack Stallings, Jr., First, Ferris, Tex. from Kopperi, Tex.
Clell Gibson, Central, Alcoa, Tenn., from Maryville.

Gordon Clinard, First Huntsville, Tex. from Burleson, Tex.
Ted O. Badger, Burleson, Tex., from Collidge.

Clifton R. Tennyson, Calvary, Borger, Tex. from Ozona.

Allen J. Owens, Eastland, Greenville, S. C. from First, Winnsboro, S. C.

James M. Windham, Ingleside, Macon, Ga., from Maryville, Tenn.

Sparks & Splinters

The Clarke Memorial College Chapter of YWA's has elected officers as follows: President, Marie Rushing, Taylortown; vice-president, Bobbie Fulton, Moss Point; secretary, Nell Hatchett, Mobile; reporter, Milda Allen, Brandon; music chairman, Bertha Kim, Hawaii; missionary chairman, Nell Eubanks, Rena Lara; social chairman, Betty Jo Flowers, Meridian; literature chairman, Nell Brackett, Mobile.

The following officers have been elected by the Aurelian Literary Society of Clarke College; president, Jimmy Sumrall, Newton; vice-president, Lamar Thompson, Mathiston; secretary-treasurer, Bertha Kim, Hawaii; program chairman, Ethel Woods, Jackson; reporter, Betty Goodwin, Macon; sponsor, Miss Frances Browning, Newton.

Clerks of all associations are urged to send to the Baptist Record a copy of their minutes as soon as they are printed. We are often called upon to give various items of information and much of this can be found in the minutes.

Dr. James L. Sullivan, former Mississippian and now pastor of First Church of Abilene, Texas, will be the visiting evangelist for the revival at Northside Church in Jackson Nov. 16-23.

The Clarke Memorial College Chorus, has elected the following officers: Carlis Braswell, French Camp, president; Bobby Slaven, Magnolia, vice-president; Becky Myers, Jackson, secretary-treasurer; Max Dorr, Sardis, social chairman; Katherine Davis, Kosciusko, reporter; Barbara Whitley, Daleville, Ala., librarian; Marcus Moore, Newton, Becky Myers, and Lee Hudson, Jackson, social committee.

Evidently Owen Cooper, Moderator of the Yazoo County Association, is on the ball. Several times during the year he sends a letter throughout the association calling attention to important events. His latest letter is one urging the Yazoo county churches to give special emphasis to the Cooperative Program between now and October 26 in order to help reach the million dollar Cooperative Program goal. He also mentions the Woman's College Endowment Offering planned for October 12.

According to Rev. Sallie Smith, pastor of Stonewall Church of Stonewall will have Roll Call of all its members Sunday October 5 at 10:45 a. m. God gave a wonderful day on this occasion last year and plans are being made for Roll Call this year through prayer, correspondence and visitation.

There were 27 additions, 15 by baptism, during the revival recently held at Oldham Church in Tishomingo county. Rev. E. E. Neill was the evangelist and Rev. J. W. Kitchens, pastor at Burnsville, led the singing. Rev. Lamar Boothe is pastor. Nineteen received diplomas on a study course which was recently taught. The enrolment in the Vacation Bible School held this summer was 65.

The Florida Baptist Convention, for the first time in her history, has given more than a million dollars for world missions through the Cooperative Program during the first eleven months of this Convention year.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from New Prospect Church in Tishomingo County. The list was sent by Mrs. Ollie Gist, the church clerk.

Mrs. B. H. Kenna has been employed by the Parkway Church in Jackson as organist. Mrs. Kenna has previously served as organist in other Baptist churches in the state. For the past nine years she served in that capacity at the Daniel Memorial Church in Jackson. She has also been outstanding in music circles, having been past president of the Jackson Music Teachers Association and the Mississippi Music Education Conference. Since the beginning of the Baptist Music Leadership School each summer at Mississippi College, she has served on the faculty of that program promoted by the State Department of Church Music.

Miss Ruth Sledge, Shaw, has been chosen a member of the student government association of Blue Mountain College. She will represent the house presidents on the council.

Dr. Charles L. McKay of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will do the preaching and Fred Schofield, well-known Gospel singer, will lead the music for the revival to be held at First Church, Laurel Oct. 26-Nov. 2.

Fortress of the Faithful is an anthem for Reformation Day or general use, introducing Luther's, A Mighty Fortress, with no solos. It is by Ira B. Wilson and is published by the Lorenz Publishing Co., Dayton, Ohio. Order by Catalog number C35 from the publishers.

A campaign sponsored by the Shreveport Journal, to raise \$5,000 for the establishment of a non-denominational chapel in downtown Shreveport has exceeded its goal by more than \$400.

An anthem based on the 150th Psalm is entitled Praise God In His Holiness. It has no solos. It is arranged by Van Denman Thompson. Copies are 18 cents each. Order by number 9785 from the publishers the Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio.

Plans are being made to dedicate the new Washington Church building, according to the pastor, Rev. W. E. Hardy. With the organization last week of a Brotherhood, the church now has all organizations. Plans are being made to launch an educational building program soon.

Takoma Park, Md.—(RNS)—Seventh-day Adventists gave an average of \$167.22 per member to their church in 1951, officials here disclosed. This is one of the highest figures ever reported by a Protestant denomination.

The King's Highway is an anthem for general use, with no solos. It is arranged by Roger C. Wilson. Individual copies are 18 cents. Order by Catalog Number 9786 from the publishers, The Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio.

Portrait Of Dr. Fuller Unveiled



An oil painting of Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, late president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was unveiled at the Convocation marking the opening of the 90th session (93rd year) of the Seminary on September 2.

The presentation was made by Ellis Fuller, Junior, before an overflow crowd in the Alumni Chapel on the Seminary campus. Also taking part in the presentation were the two daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Fuller. The acceptance speech was made by President Duke K. McCall.

Done by artist Charles Sneed Williams, the funds for the painting were provided through gifts by Mr. and Mrs. C. Edwin Gheens, of Louisville.

Piano Voluntaries is a collection of sacred compositions for the Third Grade pianist compiled and edited by Rob Roy Perry. The price is \$1.25 per copy. Some of the selections included are By Waters Still, In a Garden, Lullaby, My Prayer, and Nearer My God to Thee. It is published by the Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio. Order from the publishers.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from the Harmony Church in Pearl River County. The list was sent by Mrs. W. A. Miller.

Lead On, O King Eternal is a hymn-anthem (tune by Smart) with no solos, but with a soprano descant. It is arranged by Van Denman Thompson. Copies are 18 cents each. Order by Catalog number 9787 from the publishers, the Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio.

The Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board has issued a total of 447,518 training awards to date in 1952. A total of 11,513 churches have participated in this record achievement.

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Van Winkle Boots The Bootleggers

Van Winkle Church, Jackson, under the leadership of Pastor H. A. Milner, is making it hot for bootleggers in that vicinity. Recently the pastor charged that whiskey was being sold in the Van Winkle Community, but very little was being done about it by the officers.

In answer to the charge that whiskey was being sold and the evidence was easy to secure, Hinds County attorney, Hugh B. Gillespie wrote Mr. Milner responsible for the sales of the illegal liquor Mr. Milner immediately stated that he would turn over to the county attorney at once whiskey evidence collected by local church members as well as the name and affidavits against the bootleggers responsible for selling the liquor.

Pastor Milner said that he is interested in halting illegal liquor traffic in the county as a whole as well as in the Van Winkle community. "The bootleggers haven't even seen our smoke, much less our fire," the pastor said. He said that his entire congregation is behind him in his efforts and that the good citizens of Hinds County have swamped him with congratulatory calls since he announced that he and his congregation are out to stop the whiskey traffic in their area. He also said that if the present effort of the congregation and the local law enforcement officers are not sufficient to halt bootlegging, he will go to the governor personally.

Late reports indicate activity on the part of the sheriff and Pastor Milner says the bootleggers have gone.

On September 21 Van Winkle congregation adopted the following resolutions, 276 voting for the

1952 Convention Annual Ready For Distribution

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—The 1952 Southern Baptist Convention Annual is off the press and is ready for distribution. The Annual is published each year in accordance with the Business and Financial Plan of the Convention, which states: "The Convention Annual, containing reports and actions of the Convention and other pertinent material, shall be published as soon as possible after the meeting of the Convention and shall be made available without charge to all active pastors and denominational agents."

The Annual will be sold to others desiring a copy for \$2.50.

The release date of this year's edition was delayed due to one of the audits which was incomplete.

Several hundred copies of the 1951 Annual are still on hand. These may be ordered from the Executive Committee, 127 9th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn., for 25 cents to cover the handling and postage.

resolutions and none against:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I announced this morning that I would give you a report tonight on the bootlegging situation as it now stands in Van Winkle. As you know last Sunday night we had several nice things to say about our sheriff and were very complimentary of him. We are not yet going to take those statements back.

Our sheriff and his deputies have made some raids in this area within the past 8 days and we wish to take this opportunity to thank them for what they have done and we plead with them to continue their efforts to put a stop to the sale of whiskey in our community. I know for a fact that immediately following at least 2 of these raids whiskey could be secured from the places that had just been raided. I also hold before you, evidence (three half pints labeled as to time purchased,

Warns Of Crisis In Our Schools

BY DR. DUKE McCALL

The financial crisis facing our Baptist schools will quickly become a crisis in the Cooperative Program.

There is little question but that increasing costs and declining enrollment will soon plunge our Baptist schools into financial difficulty. The easy out will appear to be a special financial campaign to bridge the gap between the operating expense and the operating income of these institutions.

The dilemma, however, is that of the man who faced the desire for more golden eggs out of his goose. He killed the goose that laid the golden eggs. We can do the same thing for the Cooperative Program.

To say that our schools and other institutions have already been in the field of raising money is not to analyze the present problem. Heretofore the appeal has been on the basis of the erection of a building or some other non-recurring project. The new element we face in the present appeal for special financial campaigns is that the purpose of these campaigns is a continuing one. Whenever the schools begin to depend on special appeals for their current operation, a permanent competitor is set up for the Cooperative Program.

As strongly as possible I urge Southern Baptist pastors, people, denominational officials, and school authorities, that we take care of these recurring needs of our schools through the Cooperative Program. That means we shall have to do the following:

1. Refuse to put the current expense of any institution in a church budget no matter how strong the appeal. Instead increase the pro-

portion of the church's giving through the Cooperative Program.

2. Direct our promotional energies toward enlarging the Cooperative Program instead of into special financial solicitation.

3. Preach, teach, and practice Christian stewardship.

4. Cut the pattern and program of all our agencies to fit the cloth of the Cooperative Program or, better, enlarge the allocation of the Cooperative Program to fit the needs.

If these proposals are in any wise drastic, the alternative is even more disastrous.

The Cooperative Program is our lifeline for the future as well as the past. The colleges and seminaries must be preserved for the future.

The decline in college enrollment will be felt in the seminaries in the next two years. There are three reasons why enrollment in the colleges is now on a decline:

1. The end of the G. I. Bill payments for students with provision for Korean veterans not yet affecting school attendance.

2. The draft.

3. The low birth rate in the early nineteen-thirties. Children born during that period are now in the colleges and seminaries.

Note that these reasons are temporary in their effect on enrollment. The schools and equipment must be maintained against the day when the draftees return and the tremendous crowd of children now in our elementary schools reach college.

Be it further recommended, that copies of what has just been said, be sent to our sheriff, to the Baptist Record, the Jackson Daily News, the Clarion Ledger, our governor and executive secretary of the United Drys.

Done in conference, September 21, 1952 with 276 people voting in favor of recommendations, which was a unanimous vote.

DRY MISSISSIPPI HAS LOW ALCOHOLISM RATE

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)—

The state of Mississippi, which recently voted to stay dry, has one of the lowest rates of alcoholism in the nation, the Methodist Board of Temperance declared here.

Expressing gratification at the results of the recent statewide referendum, by which prohibition was retained with a majority of more than 60,000 votes, the board said that Mississippi ranks 42nd among the 48 states in the rate of alcoholism. This low rate can be directly attributed to the law against the sale of intoxicants, the board said.

The Methodist temperance leaders predicted further liquor "offensives," however, which they said would be financed by generous contributions to both political parties, and supported by newspaper, radio, and television advertising particularly designed to "lead to the indoctrination of small children."

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High School Team Holds Prayer Meetings

Andalusia, Ala. (BP) — Buddy Keen and Frank Beale, teen-age members of First Baptist Church, Andalusia, Ala., returned from Shocco Springs, Alabama Baptist assembly, eager to "make their Christianity really count in their school."

Since both were on the high school football team, they decided to begin there and urged their coaches to have a team prayer meeting before practice and games. The coaches agreed that

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
Clinton, Miss.

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The Eternal Background Of The Church

Ephesians 1:1-6; 3:8-11
(Editor's Note: An address delivered before the Southern Baptist Convention, Wednesday, May 14, 1952, by Dr. W. Douglas Hodge, pastor, First Baptist Church, of Jackson, Miss.)

The average person has a meager conception of the church to which he belongs. You who are messengers or visitors to this Convention are part of a minority of Southern Baptists who have a high regard for, and a deep interest in, the church to which you belong. Most of our attendance is composed of preachers and their families; our laymen come only in very small numbers. The great mass of our people back home are nominally interested in their church; some of them work in it—and diligently; but have even those of us here the concept of the Church that is apparent in these passages from Paul's pen? The answer is obvious; the church is magnificent—beyond our fondest contemplations—but we do not grasp its eternity and its significance!

I have read two passages from Paul's letter to the Ephesians. The scholars tell us that this letter was a circular letter to the churches in Asia Minor and that the principles expressed in it were to explain the purpose of God in the establishment of the church itself. In the former passage, Chapter 1, verses 1-6, there is expressed the eternal purpose of God in the formation of the Church; in the latter, Chapter 3, verses 8-11, there is the almost unbelievable teaching that the church was set in the world to reveal something that even the angels themselves did not know. In other sections of the Book of Ephesians there is seen the actuality of unity in the church and the expectations of God in the conduct and character of those who make up the church.

The background of the church lies in the heart of God. We read in the 16th Chapter of Matthew the first mention our Lord made of his church, and we are prone to designate that experience as the beginning of such an institution. We even follow the growth of the visible organization known as the New Testament Church and note the progressive principle in it until John leaves us in the Revelation with the assurance of the eternal triumph of the Bride of Christ. Most of us will not put a point of origin on the Church because we feel that it was a gradual development from the call of the twelve to the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. We settle the matter for all practical purposes, however, by saying the church began when Jesus said, "On this rock I will build my church."

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, however, was not a first century accommodation for the purpose of implementing a new world religion, even though our Lord did come to bring men a new teaching and a new way of life. Nor is the church a first century development of the Old Testament idea of a chosen congregation. Nor

was it a semi-civic association of the "called out ones" to be the vehicle of a different religious propaganda. Much time and effort have been expended in the course of the Christian centuries in calling attention to the fact that the "church" is spoken of as the "ecclesia" of God. It is, as we know, a formation of the "called out ones". But, we must remember that God's Word says something about "those whom he foreordained, them he also called; and whom he called, them he also justified", etc. In exhorting the church to a spirit of unity, Paul said in the fourth chapter of Ephesians, "Walk worthy of the calling wherewith ye were called. . . ." There can be little doubt, therefore, that the Church is indissolubly linked with the call and eternal purpose of God.

Returning to our opening Scripture for a moment, we stand in awe over the profound assertion by Paul that "we have been blessed with every spiritual blessing in Christ. . . ." and that "He chose us in him even before the foundation of the world. . . ." Let the mind attempt to grasp that! Let the soul rejoice evermore! Let the heart sing forever the praise of our God! We—we who make up His church, chosen before the foundation of the world—blessed every way in Christ!

The Purpose of God

Before the formless world on which we now live took shape, before the sightless mists gave way to the dawn of creation's eerie light; before our spinning sphere took shape in the manner of seas and shores; hills and valleys; mountains and mesas; rivers and rills; plains and palisades; before birds activated the atmosphere with the Whirring of wings or the notes of feathered music; before the seas became the watery highway of finny travel; before forest and glen reverberated with the murmur of animal life happy within them; before the highest art of there was a watershed of the centuries when the centuries divided themselves into before and after Christ—there was the Purpose of God in the Plan for His Church!

Not only in the events of time as they are alluded to in the record of God's Word, but eternally in the the Creator was manifest in the designed dust of earth's first man; before Eden; before Babel; before the Judges, the prophets; before purpose and plan of God is there to be recognized the working out of a Divine Will in the appearance of His Church. Ever has it been God's design to set in the world His Church. It is the crowning goal of all God's progressive revelation to us, His own. The Church is not a semi-modern institution handed down from above to fit in to one of a number of dispensations in the progress of world history. The Church must not be thought of as a creation of God to implement one of several different plans He had to thwart Satan and overcome evil. God does not move in dispensations. God moves consistently through successive centuries toward the eternal goal he has al-

ways had for his own. Paul, in the second of the Scriptures we read, spoke of the "dispensation of that grace of God that was given unto me. . . ." etc.; but we must be honest to ascertain that the word he actually used was not "dispensation" — it was the word "stewardship". Dr. W. O. Carver, in his unexcelled exegesis of Ephesians, "The Glory of God in the Christian Calling", says, "The term 'dispensation' is never once used in the Scriptures, Old Testament or New, in the sense of one of a succession of 'ages in which God's principle of working with men changes from age to age'. The church, then, is not an institution set in a segment of time and history in order that God, by means of a new and different plan, could work for and with man. It has ever been in the heart and plan of the Almighty!

Basically, the Church is organic—it is not institutional. It is a living organism—not an organization. Whatever we as Baptists may think about it, there is a sense in which the Church is different from the churches. Paul makes this clear to the discerning reader in this Book of Ephesians. He speaks of the Church as the "body" of Christ; and of Christ, as the "head". He is thus speaking of all the redeemed through Him; individuals who have been regenerated through faith in his redeeming work and who walk in His will. To deny the all-inclusive purpose of God in fashioning his Church out of all the redeemed is to fall short of the plan of redemptive love.

Christians of every church and of no church are in the concept of the Church. We may deny—and correctly—the doctrine of the Universal Church; but we cannot—that is, we must not—be unaware of the organic unity of those who have been redeemed in the Spiritual Church. Only thus can we interpret Paul in his analogy of the church and the Body of Christ. As head, Christ can have but one body; the redeemed are that body, and all fellow-Christians, of whatever faith or creed, who share a common regenerative experience make up that Church. Conversely, it follows that simply to belong to an institutional church does not mean that we are a part of His Church. Let us as Baptists ever rejoice that we have held, always, that regeneration—not church membership—is the fundamental necessity of Kingdom citizenship.

In contemplating the Eternal Background of the Church, we inescapably face the natural expectation of God as to the fundamental, factual elements of His Church. (See W. O. Carver, "The Glory of God in the Christian Calling", pp. 143-145.) In the fourth chapter of the Ephesian letter, Paul speaks of the Holy Spirit "working within the entire body and in each of its members to effect, maintain, and perfect the unity of the whole". The ideal thus expressed is perhaps an incomplete one, but it is one we must ever be striving to attain.

Seven Ideals

In staccato fashion the seven ideals are set forth. First, there is (Continued On Page Thirteen)

G. C. Hodge To Make Jamaica Revival Tour



DR. G. C. HODGE

Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor of the First Church of Biloxi, has been selected by the Home Mission Board as one of a group of five pastors from Mississippi to hold revival services throughout the island of Jamaica in January 1953.

The church has included this trip in its mission program for 1953 by voting to grant the pastor a two-week leave of absence and caring for the expenses of the trip.

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Highley's Sunday School Lesson

Commentary on the International Uniform lessons has recently been released from the Higley Press, 118-119 E. Oak Street, Butler, Indiana. The authors are Dr. John Paul, Dr. J. A. Huffman, Rev. Loyd R. Ringenberg and Robert D. Higley. The price is \$2. In this commentary the central truths and topics are arranged for the reader, the lesson as a whole is outlined, the full text is printed in lesson with comment given on each sentence, and the lesson is completely outlined, including illustrations. The printing is done on light green paper which makes reading easy on the eyes. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

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The Eternal Background

(Continued From Page Twelve)

"One Body"; the all-comprehensive Spiritual Church into which each member comes as he is "made alive" by the act of regeneration. All the redeemed are within this body. There can be no other interpretation. This sense of oneness and obligation must be carried over into the visible, organized church body.

Second, there is the "One Spirit." This is, beyond question, the Holy Spirit; the vitalizing, energizing and guiding spirit of the Body. This is the "One Spirit" that came in manifest power on the Day of Pentecost, fulfilling the promise of Jesus that the Spirit would come upon his followers and continue with them. The fundamental power in the Church is the Holy Spirit who regenerates men and women through their medium of faith in the redeeming Son, and empowers them to witness as His disciples.

Third, "One Hope." Is it man's hope, or God's hope. Let the Scriptures say: "Even as ye were called in one hope of your calling." It is GOD'S HOPE that underlies the principle of His redemptive work in Christ. Actually, the background of His church lies in God's hope for glory unto Himself in and through those who will believe on Him. God is not interested in different destinies for different people. His purpose and expectation ever have remained the same.

Fourth, "One Lord." There is but one Savior. He was the crowning effort of God in His plan for man. The Old Testament points to

Him; the Gospels testify of Him; the rest of the New Testament tells about Him. His is just another way of saying, "Neither is there salvation in any other; for neither is there any other name under heaven whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12.)

Fifth, "One Faith." Does this mean a creed or an ecclesiastical tradition? No—it surely means one believing experience common to all who come unto God through faith in Jesus Christ. It is a living faith, common to all who know him as personal Savior. Such faith produces a fellowship of experience in the saving grace of God through His Son.

Sixth, "One Baptism." Here we are liable to become entirely "baptistic." Of course, we believe in immersion of the believer only as New Testament baptism. But—what else did Paul know? Even cold scholarship will admit that anything different from immersion was unknown when this letter was written. Does this mean "our" kind of baptism as different from that of the Roman Catholic, the Methodist or the Presbyterian? Is it a matter of form, only? Such would be too easy an interpretation. Something deeper is required. What is it? Paul undoubtedly meant by "One Baptism"—baptism for one significant purpose—personal commitment to a new manner of living because of death to sin; burial with Christ; and the resurrection to a new kind of living. It is the intent, rather than the form, which is mentioned here. Dedication to the effort to live the changed life. What would happen in today's world if Christians were to realize fully what God expects from Christians as members of Christ's Body in personal, day-by-day living?

Seventh, and finally—"One God." Here God is spoken of as the God who is "the Father of all; over all; through all and in all." This is not to teach the "Universal Fatherhood" of God. Paul was writing to, and about the members of His Church, Christian. God to them was a complete God and Father. It refers to the members of the Body and everything with which they are related. Is this not another way of saying, "God fully expects that the Christian shall recognize the Fatherhood of God in every circumstance and relationship of life"? If He is our Father, then we should conduct ourselves properly as His children.

In the last place, we come to the wisdom of God as it is manifest to the universe through His Church. Here again Paul's word in the 3rd Chapter of Ephesians when he speaks: "To me was this grace given . . . to make all men see what is the stewardship of the mystery which for ages hath been hid in God . . . to the intent that now unto the principalities and the powers in the heavenly places might be made known Through the Church the manifold wisdom of God according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord. . . . Mine, says Paul, is the privilege of bringing to light that which God has had in His heart for eternity; that which men have called the mystery: namely, God's purpose of redemp-

tion in Christ. This, Paul says, is to be revealed to the inhabitants of the heavenly realms Through the Church.

Angels

No more marvelous description of the church is there to be found than this! God, through the church revealing to principalities and powers His manifold wisdom! To whom is He doing the revealing. To those spiritual beings who inhabit the heavenly realms. These—we are constrained to believe—are the angels, both good and bad. Angels—satanic servants—people of the celestial worlds, learning something of the wisdom of the Eternal God as it is made manifest through His Church!

Out in Yucca Flats, Nevada, the other day, a group of carefully screened visitors joined hundreds of the military in witnessing an atomic explosion. High above the earth it was—impossible to describe—a manifestation of the principle of atomic energy in destructive potency. Not until recently was this principle harnessed and demonstrated, but it had existed in the physical world since creation. In the same fashion, God is demonstrating through His Church His constructive power while the hosts of the universe look on with awe!

Perhaps these celestial beings had wondered, since creation, at God's purpose in his redemptive effort for human kind. They could not understand the Incarnation, the Gospel ideal; the suffering of Gethsemane, the agony of the Cross; the resurrection of Christ; His ascension; the Holy Spirit. Now says Paul, God is demonstrating through His Church His eternal purpose of redemptive grace! What a participation with God in teaching the hosts of heaven things even they do not know! What marvel in the function of the Church to assist the Almighty in making known his eternal wisdom! And yet that is exactly what the church is set in the world to do; and our world and their waits to see what His Church will accomplish.

Paul is clear in his conception of the Church as the Body of Christ. Equally is he clear in Ephesians and other places as to the reality and place of the individual church. The Church as an organism must function through an organization. The intangible must become the tangible. As part of the great church we are parts of many churches. The church to which you belong; the one to which I belong; they are parts of the great Body of Christ. Our responsibility and privilege are clear. There can be no quibbling as to our task.

As redeemed individuals we are part of the Body of Christ; as servants of the Lord we are functioning members of one of his churches in our world of today. We do not confuse our Christian Brotherhood with our ecclesiastical individuality and freedom. In each and in both we rejoice—but today's church in today's community must accept its responsibility in fitting in with the eternal purpose of Almighty God as we rightly conceive the "Background of the Church." For two thousand years the church has had time to think! Now it is time for the churches to act.



MRS. RALPH LOCKE

Mrs. Ralph Locke, 1952 Graduate of Mississippi College and the former Miss Billie Gill of Laurel, will serve as secretary to President D. M. Nelson.

Mrs. Locke is the bride of a business major from Jackson, Michigan. Mr. Locke is continuing his studies at the college, expecting to graduate in August of 1953

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Texas Colleges To Make Joint Appeal For Gifts

WACO, Tex. —(BP)—Baylor University is one of the 19 non-tax-supported Texas colleges forming the Texas Foundation of Voluntarily Supported Colleges and Universities, which in Dallas has received the approval of the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The Baylor board of trustees had already approved the university's membership in the foundation subject to approval by the Baptist Board.

Representatives from the 19 colleges and universities forming the foundation will meet at Baylor University Union Building Sept. 26, to complete organization of the foundation.

Eight of the foundation colleges are Baptist sponsored. The Baptist board's action amounted to a go-ahead signal for the Texas Baptist colleges and universities to join the foundation.

The foundation represents a united appeal by private Texas colleges—faced with money problems—to big corporations for money.

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Young People's Programs in a Nutshell is a paper bound booklet by Leslie Parrott which costs sixty cents. It is published by the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Each program given is the mere essence of an idea. How the idea is developed and adapted to your group will depend entirely on your own imagination and initiative. No attempt at detail has been made. According to the author many of these programs are not original but have been garnered in association with young people's workers across the United States and Canada. Included in the book are novelty programs, programs for special days, programs on the church, musical programs, etc. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

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McComb Central Celebrates 30th Year**REV. H. L. CARTER**

The Central Baptist Church of McComb, will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the church during October, during which month former pastors and ministers ordained at Central Church will be guest speakers.

Sunday, October 5, Rev. H. L. Carter of Bowling Green, Ky. will speak at both services. Dinner will be served on the church grounds and will be followed with an afternoon service with Rev. Robert Hughes of McComb bringing the message.

Other speakers for the month

**REV. FRED B. BOOKTER**

will be Rev. Peter E. Cullum of Washington, D. C., on October 12; Rev. Fred B. Bookter and Rev. Charles Daniels on October 19; and Dr. Chester Quarles, State Executive Secretary, on Oct. 26.

The music will be under the direction of Harrison Bowling with Mrs. F. A. Walker and Mrs. D. B. Connally as accompanists.

J. B. Hunt will have charge of flower arrangements.

The church was organized in 1921 with 83 members. The present membership is 652.

Rev. J. H. Lain was the first

**SB RELIEF WORK
PRAISED BY KOREANS**

Southern Baptists have received a citation from the Korean government for relief work done among wounded Korean soldiers. The message of appreciation, signed by Ki Poong Lee, minister of defense of the Republic of Korea, said:

"I have the pleasure of commending the outstanding service rendered the Republic of Korea Armed Forces by the Southern Baptist Relief Committee through its relief works extended to the wounded Korean soldiers since the outbreak of hostilities in Korea on June 25, 1950.

The Korean Baptist Relief Committee occasionally makes special allocations to groups or organizations that are overlooked by regular relief agencies. One of these groups is wounded Korean soldiers.

The Southern Baptist Relief Committee has appropriated about \$100,000 for relief work in Korea and many individuals and churches have sent bundles of clothing to be distributed by the three missionaries there. Others have sent money through the Foreign Mis-

pastor. Other pastors who have served the church are: Dr. B. L. Davis, Rev. H. L. Carter, Rev. R. L. Smith and Rev. F. B. Bookter. Mr. Bookter, the present pastor, is in his 16th year as pastor.

**Utica Church Showing
Signs Of Progress**

The church at Utica, Rev. R. Y. Gerrard, pastor, is showing signs of progress in several realms.

The recent building fund goal of \$2000 has been reached and \$3000 set as a goal for November.

On Tuesday night, Sept. 30 a supper meeting of the congregation was enjoyed. The Sunday School class and department making the highest grade for the month were honored. The film "Dedicated Men" was shown.

On Oct. 12 at the 11 o'clock hour Laymen's Day will be observed when three men and three women will speak on the subject "What My Church Means to Me."

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The First Church at Purvis broke all attendance records on last Sunday. With goals for Sunday school and Training Union set respectively at 300 and 100, both were exceeded. There were 314 in Sunday school and 103 in Training Union. Rev. P. H. Leber is pastor.

sion Board for use by the missionaries wherever the need is greatest.

Thousands of dollars have been used in general relief for people who have no food, medicine, clothing, or home; for student relief; and for rebuilding churches and homes.

**DR. S. E. LAWRENCE**

Dr. S. E. Lawrence has given a thousand dollar check to Mississippi Woman's College endowment. Dr. Lawrence has been deacon of the Columbia Baptist Church for thirty-five years, is their song leader. He is also trustee of Mississippi Woman's College. This brings his recent contributions to Woman's College more than three thousand dollars.

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BERKLEY, Calif. (Sept. 25) One hundred and ninety-nine students, composing a record fall enrollment, registered at Golden Gate this semester, according to J. W. Manning, registrar. Registration began September 2 and closed September 16.

A Wise Missionary Practice

- I. Well do Baptists emphasize foreign missions.
- II. At January 23, 1952, of 837 missionaries under appointment by our Foreign Mission Board, all came through Christian colleges (according to Dr. Rankin).
- III. Jesus said, "Go teach all nations." How can they go until they are trained teachers? **The best mission money is given to the Christian college.**

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**MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE
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Thursday, October 2, 1952

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For October 5.

OUR LORD COMPLETES HIS QUALIFICATIONS FOR HIS WORK.

Bible Text: Matthew 1-4.
Preparations For The Coming Of The Lord.

This process stretched over a long period. Indeed it began with the fall of man. We find it in embryo in the words of the Lord God to the serpent in the garden, and from the day of that first pronouncement of the coming sacrifice of the Redeemer and defeat of the evil one, the whole history of God's dealings with His people. The call of Abraham and the giving of the covenant, the renewing of the promises to Abraham's sons, the dealings of God with the children of Jacob and after the deliverance of the people from the bondage of Egypt, every institution and ceremony showed forth the coming of the Just One.

When the prophets came, the message of the Advent of the Saviour was stressed more than ever, and the assurance given that the One who was drawing near that the Son of righteousness would soon be coming with healing in his wings. Sped the years and came the promised Herald proclaiming the near approach of the coming King of righteousness. And such proclamation the Jewish world had never heard before. The proclamation was not national, but individual. The Jews of that day thought the Messiah was strictly a Jewish Messiah, who would come to save His own and peculiar possession, all the members of the Jewish race and they alone. The non-Jewish people would have neither part nor lot in this matter, except as it was theirs to serve as hewers of wood and drawers of water for the chosen people of God.

Now look what John does to this idea: "Spawn of vipers! Who has directed you to flee from the coming fury? Produce then fruit displaying your conversion; and do not in your pride say to yourselves, 'We have our ancestor Abraham'; for I tell you that God is able, even from these stones, to raise up children to Abraham. But the axe now lies at the foot of the trees; every tree therefore which does not produce good fruit, will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I indeed baptize you in water, as a sign of your conversion; but the One Who follows me is far stronger than I. I am not even worthy to carry His shoes.

He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will perfectly cleanse His threshing-floor, and collect His wheat into the granary; while He will consume the chaff with inextinguishable fire."

No favoritism to the Jew here. The axe is at the foot of "Every tree", not the gentile only, but the Jew also. He will winnow His threshing-floor, and the wheat,

from every corner of the vast field, shall He gather into His granary, but the chaff, all of it, from Jewish as well as gentile patches, will He burn with inextinguishable fire.

II. Comes The Lord In The Course Of The Fulfillment of All Righteousness.

"Jesus. Thou art all compassion; Pure unbounded love Thou art." So came He to John, who no doubt held conversation with Him as a result of which John said, "I ought to get baptized by you, instead of your coming to get baptized by me." On John's level, Jesus did not dispute this word. He was pure from all personal sin, but He came to yield this stainless sinlessness at the price of sinful man's redemption. "For their sakes I sanctify myself." He said. at a later date. For the sake of those I came to save, I dedicate myself to the work my Father gave me to do. I freely give Myself to the appointed work of redemption that the men I came to redeem may live the redeemed life.

Let us each one stop here long enough to preach himself a wee but serious sermon on the sort of life we ought to live in face of this work done for us by our Lord Christ.

III. Grim Combat With Prince of Darkness.

"Jesus then went up into the desert, under the influence of the Spirit, to be tried by the agency of the Devil." O stout Weight-Lifter, how great a burden can you bear aloft? O Champion of the Race Course, how quickly can your spurning feet leave the course of 200 yards behind? O great-hearted Champion of defeated man, to what degree and how long can you stand erect and quence the fiery darts of the Devil, block his advance at every point and, from his latest onset, send him reeling backward in defeat? This matter was now to be put to the test. The first Adam had made little effort to withstand the Devil and had in consequence slunk defeated from the field.

The last Adam gave Satan all the advantage. As the country boys of my native heath were want in the good old days to say, "Take all the underhold", so Satan took all the underhold in his wrestle with our Lord, and the Lord graced him in every fall. The count was three best out of three, and our Champion was the winner! Briefly look at the three temptations.

Let us say, first, however, that our Lord was temptable. He could have yielded, else the temptation would have been no temptation at all. First Temptation. To a Lack of Faith. "If you are the Son of God, order that these stones become loaves." You are God's Son? Then you should not go hungry; but you are in a fair way to starve out here in this desert, for the Father has forgotten you or is careless of you. Answer. "It is written, 'Man does not live on bread alone; but on every word passing through the mouth of God.'" My God is faithful. His will is my law.

Second Temptation. To presumption, over-confidence, reckless faith. The Temptation. The Devil

Mashulaville Church Making Progress

The Elim Church at Mashulaville has shown several signs of progress of late.

The church has gone from half-time to three-quarter time and several improvements have been made in the property.

New pews, costing \$850, have been installed, as well as the runners between them. Rev. A. W. Nix is the pastor.

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My Catholic Critics (50 cents paper bound) is a new pamphlet in which the author Paul Blanshard, replies to "Catholicism and American Freedom" by James O'Neill, and other Catholic spokesmen. The pamphlet is published by The Beacon Press, Boston, Mass. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.



REV. J. M. MAJORS

Pictured above is Rev. J. M. Majors, pastor of the Hickory Ridge Church in Rankin county. He has recently led that church to adopt a full time program.

set Jesus upon the lofty pinnacle of the temple, and said, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is recorded that, 'He will command His angels concerning you, to support you with their hands, so that you can not dash your foot against a stone.' "But our Lord made answer, "You shall not test the Lord your God."

Third Temptation. "From the summit of a lofty mountain, the Devil caused Jesus to see the glory of all the kingdoms of the earth, and said, 'I will give You all these, if You will do homage for them to me.'" "But Jesus in reply to him said, 'Begone Satan! For it stands written, 'You shall reverence the Lord, and pay homage to Him alone.'"

"The Devil then left Him, and Angels at once approached and ministered to Him."

This third temptation, now, is one to which every holder of an appointive public office has yielded, though he may have done so unconsciously. He that eats his bread by appointment of another shall do that other's will. This is the law that holds like the grasp of death or the fabled fates.

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MISS MARY JEANNE WOOLEY

Shown above is Miss Mary Jeanne Wooley, assistant professor of organ and piano, at Mississippi Woman's College. She holds the Bachelor of Music Education degree from Louisiana State University, and the Master of Arts degree in Music Education with Organ from Teacher's College, Columbia University. She has taught in Amory High School, Copiah-Lincoln Junior College, and Jeanerette High School, Jeanerette, La. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carey J. Wooley of Bogue Chitto.

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Cigarette Smoking Linked To Rise In Lung Cancer

Alarming increase in lung cancer mortality plus significant rise in cigarette consumption prompt medical authorities to examine the smoking as a major "suspect".

A startling correlation between the staggering increase in lung cancer and the ever rising consumption of cigarettes is made in an article entitled "Smokers Are Getting Scared!" in the October issue of Christian Herald.

Ray Norr, author of the article, cites a recent study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association which reveals that in 1914 only 442 men and 166 women died from cancer of the lung and larynx. Now, however, the same disease kills 19,000 men and 5,000 women each year. During the same period the use of cigarettes has risen steadily to the present rate of 400 billion units annually.

Norr points out that "no one questions" the effect of tobacco as an irritant to the mucous lining of the mouth, nose and throat, that it aggravates hoarseness, coughing, chronic bronchitis and tonsillitis, that it may be suicidal in cases of gastric and duodenal ulcers, that it interferes with normal digestion, contracts the blood vessels, raises the blood pressure, increases the heart rate. He adds: "In many involvements of heart disease — the greatest killer of modern times — the first order from the doctor is to cut out smoking immediately."

Recently, he continues, the role of cigarette smoking as a direct cause of cancer of the respiratory tract is getting more and more professional attention. An investigation by the Medical Research Council of England and Wales concludes that "above the age of 45, the risk of developing the disease (lung cancer) increases in simple proportion with the amount smoked, and may be 50 times as great among those who smoked 25 or more cigarettes daily as among "non-smokers."

Cancer of the stomach, Norr points out, had been the largest cause of cancer mortality for many years, but in 1949 over twice as many patients with cancer of the lung as with gastric cancer were admitted to the Memorial Hospital in New York. He quotes Dr. Alton Ochsner, former president of the American Cancer Society and director of the famous Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans as saying: "It is frightening to speculate on the possible number of bronchiogenic (lung and larynx) cancers that might develop as the result of the tremendous number of cigarettes consumed in the two decades from 1930 to 1950."

After noting that other authorities make similar correlation between smoking and lung cancer, Norr proposes a four point Prevent Cancer Campaign that will dramatize the perilous threat of tobacco. He would: Alert the public to the danger; stop the fake testimonials which help instill the habit in adolescents; rip off the mask from cigarette claims by publicizing, among other facts, that cigarettes contain chemicals both harmful and deadly; and, fourth, "break

A. R. FAVRE ACCEPTS TOPI SAW PASTORATE



REV. ALBERT FAVRE

Rev. Albert Favre has resigned as pastor of the Sallis Church, Attalla County, and accepted the pastorate of Topisaw Church, near Brookhaven.

Mr. Favre is a graduate of Mississippi College and has served Baptist churches in Mississippi and Louisiana for eight years. He is a third-year student at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Favre, the former Jessie Mae Carlisle of Jackson, Miss., also graduated at Mississippi College.

They plan to spend their week-ends in the Topisaw pastorium during the school year.

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Gospel Is Bearing Fruit In Thailand

The Baptist church in Bangkok, Thailand, has received 13 members by baptism since March, and there are four others now awaiting baptism. One of the four is a Thai.

Southern Baptist work in Thailand was begun in 1949 by Southern Baptist missionaries of the China staff.

Missionary Deaver Lawton has opened a chapel in Authya, the ancient capital city of Thailand. A building has been located on the main street, and the services are being attended by as many as 200 people.

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for the Orient, says the "hold of Buddhism is so strong upon the Thai population that it represents a major crisis in the life of an individual to declare himself a Christian. It is the same personal struggle which must be faced by the Mohammedan or the Jew who trusts Christ."

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The September issue of The Baptist Student carried the information that Blue Mountain College and Mississippi Woman's College are two of the first BSUs throughout the South which made First Magnitude, BSU's highest award, for the 1951-52 session.

the stranglehold of the tobacco huckster" on television and radio.

He concludes: "To continue to ignore the major cause suspected of lung cancer—excessive use of cigarettes — would be one of the blackest social crimes of our days."

Kentucky Editor Hits Wine-Makers

LOUISVILLE, Ky. —(BP)— The Kentucky Western Recorder called all Baptist people to be on guard against wine propaganda to be launched in October.

An editorial by Dr. R. T. Skinner, the editor, spoke out against Wine Discovery Month on which liquor interests of America will spend \$400,000 to make the American public "discover the pleasures of wine."

Skinner said, "Can American Christians do anything about this? Each will decide for himself what he will do. And the big question is, What would Jesus do in a day like this? What would he want us to?"

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The author of "Pocket Bible Handbook," Henry H. Halley, has compiled and published Bible verses in a book entitled BEST BIBLE VERSES. Included in the book are verses from each book of the Bible in Part I and verses grouped under various topics in Part II. This is the second edition and is larger and more complete than the first edition. The author stresses the fact that this book is not to be considered as a substitute for reading in the Bible itself. But because these verses have meant a lot to the compiler he has grouped them all together in a pocket-size little book. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

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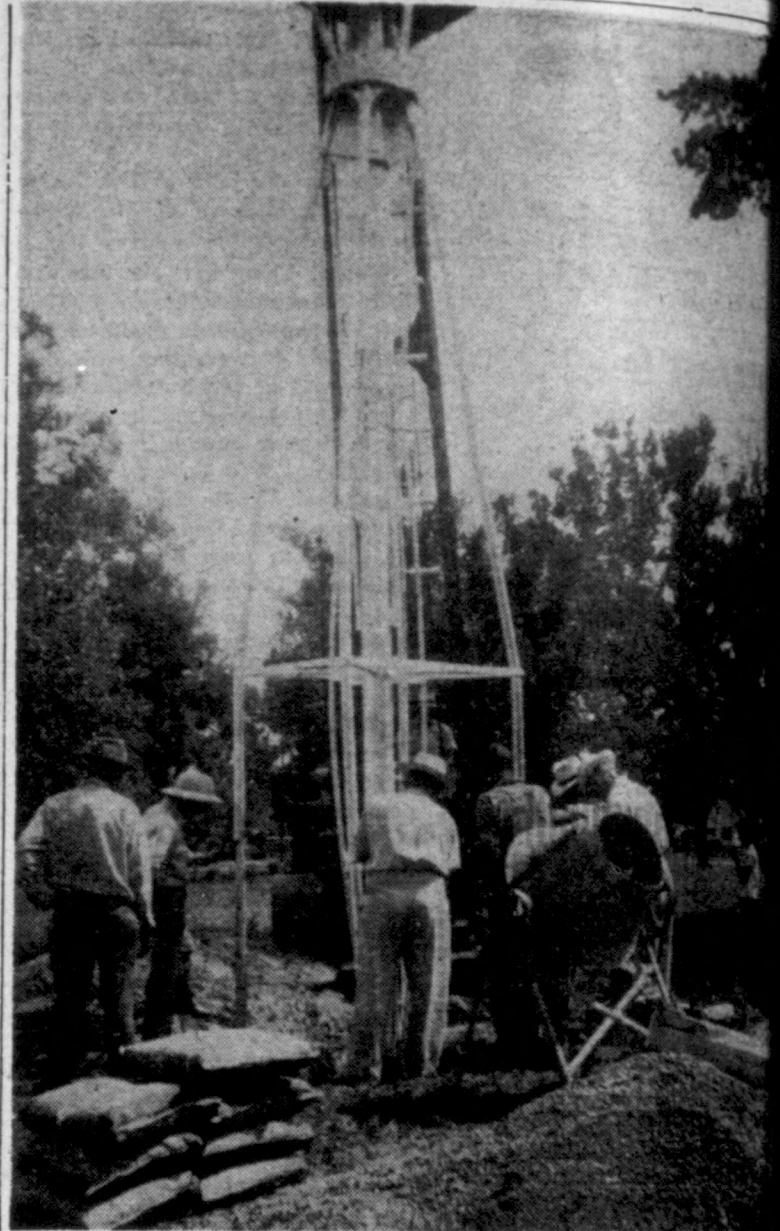
JOHN A. FARMER

John A. Farmer, Columbia, S. C., will preach during the revival services at 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, October 5 - 12. Mr. Farmer is state brotherhood secretary of South Carolina. After his graduation from Mississippi Southern College in 1934. Mr. Farmer was connected with the Mississippi Sunday School Board for many years. He moved from Mississippi to California and later to South Carolina.

The revival is sponsored by the Brotherhood and services will be held daily at 5:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

A week of prayer is being observed during the entire week of September 29 - October 4th. Cottage prayer meetings are held each evening with an all night service on Saturday night October 4th.

Rev. Van C. Windham is pastor of the church.



Pictured above is the bell tower at French Camp Church as it is being plumbed and leveled. Afterwards concrete was poured around the base 32 inches deep. The tower is a gift of Alex Taylor of Louisville. Following the erecting of the tower and the hoisting of the bell, Rev. C. F. Anglin, pastor, delivered a dedicatory prayer and presented Mr. Taylor. Mr. Taylor challenged the group to engage in an even greater program for the Lord.

New Company Insures Only Churchgoers, Abstainers

HOUSTON, Tex. —(RNS)— Officials of an insurance company which requires membership in a Christian church and total abstinence from alcohol as qualifications for insurance have reported increasing interest in their unique organization.

The first is the Christian Temperate Insurance Company, which received its charter as an insurance company in June.

A. E. Hammonds, who operates the new company with his brother, Ralph, said the firm has issued policies to over 1,000 persons already and that interest in the insurance is growing.

"It is getting a beautiful reception from church people," Mr. Hammonds said.

He said the company is the result of two years planning during which he and his brother studied automobile fatality records. They arrived at a plan to offer insurance to the public at reduced rates provided the insuree did not drink.

However, they tossed in the church membership requirement since both are churchgoers. A. E. Hammonds is a Baptist and his brother, three times a national

amateur wrestling champion and a member of the 1928 Olympic team, is a Methodist.

The Hammonds hope that their firm will serve as a vehicle to encourage church membership as well as abstinence from liquor.

Their advertising in the classified pages of the Houston telephone directory reads:

"If you are in good health, do not drink, have a good reputation in your community, and are a member of a church, we invite you to be a policy holder of ours. No others need ask us to insure them."

It adds that "we will not insure anyone who drinks intoxicants or adults who do not believe in God."

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Unfold, Ye Portals from "The Redemption" by Charles Gounod has recently been published in sheet form for mixed voices a cappella by the Lorenz Publishing Company, Dayton, Ohio. The catalog number is 9781. Copies are 10 cents each. Order from the publishers. When ordering specify octavo number.